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Cineworld is behind plans for Ely cinema

EXCLUSIVE
BY JORDAN DAY

CINEWORLD is the company seeking to build a new multiplex cinema in Ely, *Ely News* can reveal.

Cambridge-based Turnstone Estates Ltd has revealed that East Cambridgeshire District Council has appointed it as the developer for a new £15 million Cineworld-anchored leisure village on land off Downham Road.

The plan is to build a 47,600 sq ft development, to be known as Ely Leisure Village, comprising a six-screen Cineworld multiplex cinema with eight restaurants. There will be parking for 375 cars.

Mooky Greidinger, chief executive officer of Cineworld Group, said: "We are excited that we will be offering a new entertainment experience as part of the Ely Leisure Village development, with all of the latest technology.

"We look forward to welcoming the Ely community and sharing our passion for film with local residents."

Turnstone Estates exchanged contracts with the council on the acquisition of the 6.5 acre site in December and announced it wanted to develop the land earlier this year, although what exactly it wanted to build has only now been revealed.

The firm hopes to submit a planning application this spring and details of a public exhibition being held prior to submitting the plans will be announced shortly.

Work will commence on site, if the plans are approved, this autumn with the aim of completing the mammoth development just 12 months later.

The planning application will also include a second phase of the development, comprising a leisure centre, owned by the district council, and to be delivered separately once funding is secured.

Tim Deacon, a director of Turnstone Estates, said: "Ely Leisure Village is an exciting development that will provide much-needed amenities to this vibrant city. We are delighted to have signed Cineworld, which will be our third scheme with them."

The announcement comes just a week after the Cambridge Property Group submitted plans to develop around 10 hectares of land adjacent to Turnstone's site. Their proposals involve building a new supermarket, petrol filling station, retail warehousing and a pub/restaurant.

Council leader James Palmer said: "A lot of hard work has gone into bringing about this announcement and we are pleased to be working with such a renowned developer with an excellent track record in delivering projects of this nature.

"By attracting such significant investment and such world renowned brands, East Cambridgeshire is showing how attractive a place it is to come to and do business.

"Our residents have asked us to help bring about new leisure activities to the district and this announcement shows our serious intent to fulfil our promises."

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ARE YOU PLEASED THE CITY IS TO GET A CINEWORLD?

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THREE-year-old Phoebe Morris was clearly enjoying feeding this 8-week-old lamb during an open day at South Angle Farm Park in Soham.
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EGG HUNT: Sophie Prentice, 10, enjoys the easter egg hunt at Ely Country Park. Photo by Richard Marsham

Easter egg hunt was great fun

CHILDREN were able to let off steam in the sunshine in Ely's Pocket Park.

Local charity, Act 4 Kidz, held a fun-filled Easter egg hunt there on Saturday.

Excited youngsters searched high and low to get their hands on as many chocolate goodies as they could, plus there were Pets as Therapy (PAT) dogs present for them to fuss.

Act 4 Kidz is a voluntary group co-ordinated by Niki Pitt to offer children and young people with additional needs in the Ely area access to exciting and stimulating sporting and social events.

The group holds regular dog training sessions for youngsters at Charlie's Dog Training Centre in Soham, as well as horse riding activities at the Old Tiger Stables, also in Soham.

For more information, call Niki on 07880 557795 or search 'Act 4 Kidz' on Facebook.

District to save cash by cutting councillors

PLANS to reduce the number of district councillors in East Cambridgeshire have moved a step closer – but the changes still wouldn't come into force until 2019.

JORDAN DAY

A special full council meeting was held last week when members of East Cambridgeshire District Council voted to slash the number of councillors from 39 to 27.

It is hoped the move will save the authority up to £50,000 each year in allowances and expenses.

However, despite receiving the backing of the council's 39 elected members, the final say lies with the Boundary Commission, which will examine the proposals before making its ruling.

That decision is expected in late 2015 or 2016 and even if the Boundary Commission agrees, the proposals would not be implemented until May 2019.

At the meeting, the council's chief executive, John Hill, told members that the main reason for the proposed reduction in member numbers was to save money.

As previously reported, despite achieving a balanced budget this year, the authority still needs to find savings of approximately £3.5 million by 2018.

At present, 39 councillors cover an electorate of 65,520 – representing an average ratio of 1,680 electors per member.

But there is considerable variance between each ward - something which Mr Hill says the proposed changes would address.

As part of the changes, some double-member wards in the district, apart from Ely, Soham and Littleport, could be chopped.

It isn't the first time the council has submitted proposed changes to the Boundary Commission.

The authority wanted a reduction of six councillors to 33, but the commission rejected the plans.

All councils can request a review under the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.

Children's tuition centre set to open in city

A PRIVATE tuition centre for children looks set to open its doors in Ely.

The first Excelr8 Learning centre in Cambridgeshire was opened in Hardwick in 2006 and since then new tuition centres have opened in Milton and Sawston.

Now Excelr8 Learning (UK) Limited, which specialises in private Maths and English tuition, looks set to open another centre in Ely.

Bosses at the firm have applied for planning permission to change the use of the offices above Klick Photopoint, on Market Place, to D1 (private tuition) use.

The application has been submitted to East Cambridgeshire District Council although because certain elements of the application have not been completed the change of use has not yet been verified.

Lorraine Brown, the planning officer dealing with the application, said it is likely to be verified within the next few weeks.

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HOW DO YOU DO? Families enjoy the open day at South Angle Farm in Soham.

It's a good life, as farm park's open day is a hit

JORDAN DAY

PLAYFUL lambs, fluffy chicks and bouncy Easter bunnies were the stars of the show in Soham.

South Angle Farm Park – a farm park and petting zoo experience with a twist – held its official open day on Saturday.

The farm, located in Great Drove, is not usually open to the general public, although families, school groups or organisations can pre-book and enjoy all the facilities.

But on Saturday the gates were propped open for one and all to enjoy, and bright sunshine shone as hundreds of families turned out to meet the animals.

With Easter spirit in abundance and spring well and truly in the air, it was the farm park's baby animals which were the big attractions.

Excited little ones – and animal-loving grown-ups – were able to get close to a whole host of new-born critters, including lambs, chicks, piglets, rabbits and foals.

But it wasn't just the baby animals which families cooed over.

DOWN ON THE FARM: David Woricker leads Remus the pig, while William Botcher, 7, takes part in the easter egg trail

There were also pygmy goats, alpacas, lizards, snakes, mini-beasts and even tarantulas for visitors to fuss and handle – if they were brave enough.

The farm park is part of the Cambridgeshire County Farms Estate, which comprises 13,400 hectares and 216 tenant farmers – the largest of its kind in England and Wales.

Back in October 2012, animal-mad husband and wife, David and Liona Woricker, swapped their flat in north Leeds to fulfil their dreams of running their own smallholding and petting zoo.

Since moving in, they have transformed the range of redundant buildings on the farm to create an education resource for the East of England.

OH BABY: India and her foal, Dandy, pictured during the open day

South Angle Farm Park has been developed by and run by Lion Learners Educational Experiences Limited who provide animal education events across East Anglia, Yorkshire, Lincolnshire and the Midlands.

It has been made possible through the assistance and support of Cambridgeshire County Council, DEFRA and the EU.

For more information, including how you or your organisation can get up close to the animals, visit www.SouthAngleFarmPark.co.uk or www.lionlearners.co.uk.

Crews attend two fires

A SUSPECTED litter arson attack and a fire in a water bowser were among the 999 calls received by firefighters in East Cambridgeshire.

The water bowser caught light in Main Street, Wentworth, at around 1.30pm last Wednesday.

A man who was near the bowser at the time was left in the care of ambulance crews and the crew of firefighters, from Ely, spent around an hour and a half extinguishing the blaze.

The cause of the fire was confirmed as being accidental.

Firefighters were also called to Wentworth Road, Coveney, at around 4.30pm on Saturday and arrived to find a large pile of rubbish well alight.

The crew, from Sutton, spent around half an hour extinguishing the flames, which are believed to have been started deliberately.

Anyone with any information should call police on 101 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555111.

Thieves target charity shop

AN investigation is under way after two children's tricycles were stolen from a charity shop.

Thieves took the second-hand, blue-coloured tricycles from the rear of the Branching Out shop in High Street, Littleport.

Sue Wiggans, general manager of the charity, which supports local people with learning difficulties and special needs, said: "I'd urge anyone with any information to call the police.

"We're getting things stolen from outside the shop on quite a regular basis unfortunately.

"We believe the tricycles were left at the rear of the shop as a donation.

"It's sad because people donate items to us so that we can then sell in the shop.

"The money raised then helps us support people in the local community.

"I'd urge people who do want to donate items to bring them to the shop during our opening hours."

The theft happened overnight on April 14.

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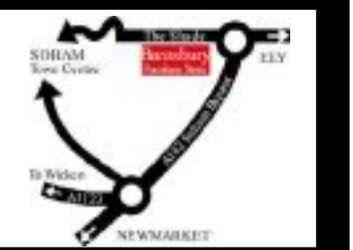

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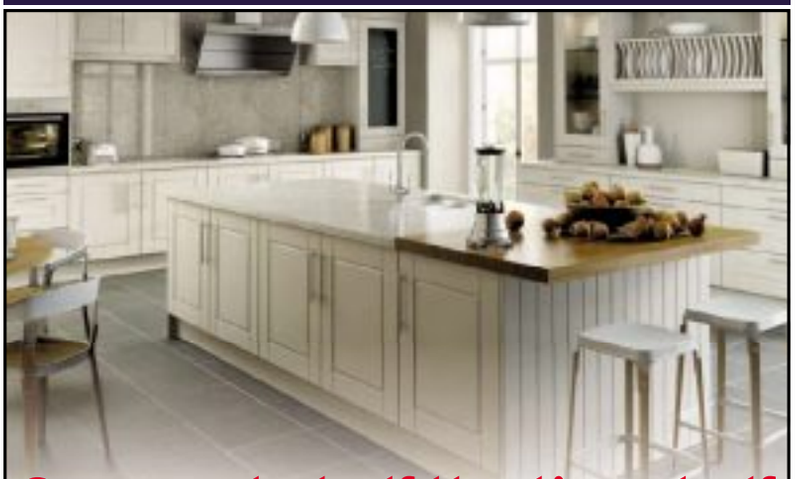

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EASTER FUN: Hundreds of families attended the event in Soham. Above, Natalie Gerighty, 13, with Easter Bunnies Dan Lane, 15, and Aaron Lord, 16. Picture by Richard Patterson

Viva's big Easter fair was a cracker!

GAMES of 'splat the rat' and chocolate galore ensured families had a cracking time in Soham.

The town's Viva Arts and Community Group held a fun-filled Easter Extravaganza at The Brook on Friday.

Hundreds of people attended the free event, which featured a magic show, children's games, arts and crafts, stalls and a bumper Easter raffle.

Hetti Wood, administrator for the Viva Group, said: "Our Easter Extravaganza was a phenomenal success, in fact we were quite overwhelmed with how many people attended.

"Everyone had a fantastic time."

Viva is also hosting a party night at The Brook on Saturday.

The event, which starts at 7.30pm, is for all the family and will be raising money for local charities, will feature live music, an auction and raffle.

Tickets are £12 on the door.

K9 Project visit spurs debate

JORDAN DAY

EUROPEAN Union (EU) funding needs to be "far more accessible" for local charities and voluntary groups.

That's the message from a local Member of European Parliament (MEP) candidate following a visit to a Cambridgeshire-based charity which has been lucky enough to benefit from EU funding.

The K9 Project, which is run by husband and wife, Kev Willats and Chris Kent, uses the unique bond between humans and dogs to help people of all ages in East Cambridgeshire.

One of the charity's most successful projects to date has been the Take the Lead scheme, which saw it working with Ely Job Centre to help a group of long-term unemployed people get back to work.

The charity received a grant from the European Social Fund which helped get the initiative off the ground.

Local district Cllr Tom Hunt, who is also an MEP candidate, recently visited Kev and Chris – and their pack of pooches – at their home in Wilburton, alongside David Campbell Bannerman MEP and Lucy Frazer, the Conservative parliamentary candidate for South East Cambridgeshire, to find out more about the charity.

Among the issues raised was how overly complex the process for applying for EU funding is.

Cllr Hunt said: "The K9 Project is a fantastic charity. I don't think there is anything like it in the country.

"I am glad that they received EU funding however their experiences of the bidding and funding process highlights many of the problems with EU funding.

"The whole system needs to be made far more accessible and sensitive to the needs of small, local organisations such as the K9 Project.

"Currently the level of paper work which small organisations are obligated to deal with for what can be quite small projects involving modest sums of funding is unnecessary. This needs to change."

The K9 Project has recently launched a weekly drop-in cafe for people and dogs.

The K9 Cafe is held at the Ely Cathedral Centre, in Palace Green, every Thursday from 10am-12pm.

Call Chris on 07990 504994, visit www.k9project.co.uk or search K9 Project on Facebook for more information.

Parents' Three Peaks trek in aid of school

INTREPID parents are taking on a mammoth challenge to raise funds for their children's primary school.

A group of 12 adults who all live in Witchford and whose children attend Witchford Rackham Primary School, have decided to take on the Three Peaks Challenge.

Their aim is to climb 1,344m to the peak of Ben Nevis, 978m to the top of Scafell Pike and then 1,085m to the peak of Mount Snowdon – all within 24 hours.

The group, who call themselves the Crazy Climbers, aim to raise £6,300 for the school to help them fund an new IT project which will benefit every single pupil.

The challenge kicks off on Friday, May 2 and to date they have raised around £3,500.

To donate, visit www.mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/crazyclimbers20141.

For more information and to follow their progress, go to www.facebook.com/crazyclimbers2014.

Sun shines on Mayor's inaugural Fashion Show

GLAMOROUS grannies and trendy kiddies took to the red carpet in Ely.

The city's mayor, Elaine Griffin-Singh, held her inaugural Mayor's Fashion Show last Wednesday.

The fun-filled event saw the Cloisters Shopping Centre transformed into a giant catwalk and hive of activity for the afternoon.

The majority of shops and businesses in the Cloisters took part in the show, which was blessed with bright sunshine.

Women and men of all ages, as well as children, strutted their stuff on the catwalk wearing outfits from shops including Peacocks, Bonmarche and Sue Ryder.

Ely's Octagon Dance Studios and Soham-based KD Theatre Productions co-ordinated the show and Ely Library organised arts and crafts to keep the little ones entertained.

There was also a teddy bear trail for children to follow which saw them hunting high and low around the shops to find the hidden bears.

Tim Willett from Star Radio compered the show and a raffle on the day also raised £80 for the Mayor's Charity.

Cllr Griffin-Singh said: "The fashion show was a great success and a lot of fun.

"We were blessed with beautiful sunshine and the fact it was the Easter holidays meant there were plenty of families out and about.

"I'd like to thank each and every business and person who took part, whether you were a model or someone who helped out behind the scenes. The models really seemed to enjoy themselves and the children had great fun too. I'd like to think this could become an annual event."

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FASHIONISTAS: Of all ages strutted their stuff down the red carpet at the Mayor's Fashion Show in the Cloisters Shopping Centre

Drug dealer escapes jail term

A YOUNG man addicted to the illegal party drug ketamine was found with 10.8g stashed under his gear stick while driving "erratically" in Ely, a court heard.

Anthony Stuart, 22, was arrested on April 13 last year after police officers also found 3.5g of MDMA and a small amount of cannabis hidden in his car, as well as 3g of ketamine in his coat pocket.

Stuart, of Percy Green, Huntingdon, pleaded guilty to being concerned in the supply of class A drug MDMA and possession with intent to supply ketamine, but not guilty to the supply of ketamine.

He was handed an 18-month suspended prison sentence and a three-month suspended prison sentence to run concurrently, ordered to complete 150 hours of unpaid work and to pay court costs of £300 when he appeared at Cambridge Crown Court.

Anaerobic plan sparks concern

JORDAN DAY

OPPOSITION is mounting against plans to build another anaerobic digester plant in East Cambridgeshire.

Pretoria Energy Ltd, the firm run by local farmer Richard Lee and which is currently building anaerobic digester facilities in Chittering, applied to Fenland District Council for planning permission to build another plant around 10 miles away last year, but the proposals were rejected.

However, as previously reported, the company has now submitted a fresh set of plans for the development on land east of Greys Farm in Iretons Way, Chatteris – around 500m from Mepal Outdoor Centre – which bosses insists resolves the previous concerns raised.

But nearby residents are concerned and have started to lodge objections with East Cambridgeshire District Council.

Mr and Mrs K Smith, of Chatteris Road, Mepal, said: "We have grave concerns. The traffic from the large machines which were used last year to move the maize past out property was horrendous.

"They were moving from around 5am until 3am the next day, running at least eight machines in convoy with no regard to the noise and congestion they were causing.

"Our roads are very congested now without more polluting heavy vehicles running at ridiculous times. This is supposed to be a green friendly option – for who, we ask ourselves"

Mandy Jeckells, of River Close, Mepal, said: "I have concerns over the noise, the extra traffic on an already very, very busy road and effects on the wildlife in the area. This coupled with the issues with motocross seems Mepal is getting it from all directions."

The whole aim of the plant is to turn maize into renewable energy. In a statement to the council, the applicants' agents said the tanks would all be grey in colour in order to "blend into the skyline" and that they would "not have a detrimental effect upon the local landscape".

They added: "Some parts of the process could potentially give rise to odour emissions, which would be alleviated through the adoption of standard best practice measures. No other pollution issues are considered to be of overriding concern."

To view the proposals and to have your say, visit www.eastcambs.gov.uk.

Criminals pay back £2.3 million of their ill-gotten gains

CRIMINALS across Cambridgeshire have been ordered to pay back more than £2.3 million of their ill-gotten gains during the past 12 months.

The force's Economic Crime Unit has secured 111 confiscation orders totalling £2,171,110, five cash forfeitures worth a total of £106,859 and helped seize a further £26,300 from drug users and dealers.

The orders mean victims of crime are set to benefit from £197,480 through compensation payouts, while the force should receive £449,785.

Among those ordered to fork out was Kevin Hart who was ordered to pay £1 million in October for his role in a massive cannabis factory discovered in Haddenham in 2010.

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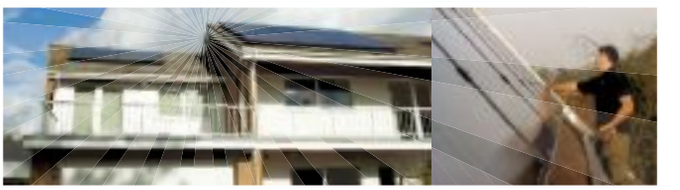

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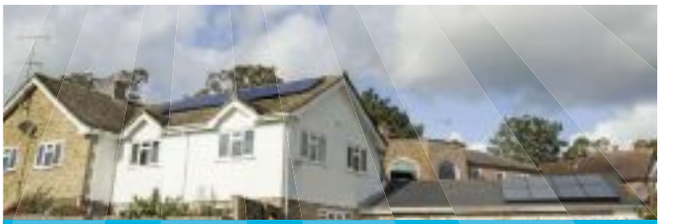

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Beware of the bull?

I FEEL I need to complain about a notice on the gate leading to the river walk by the pocket park in Ely.
It warned of a bull in the field. I don't feel that a bull should be put in this area, particularly as people walk children and dogs there in the Easter holidays.
It may be the farmer's land but surely it is part of the country park.
Lesley Charlton

Of course arts will suffer

JORDAN Day asks in his article in last week's paper: Are village arts going to suffer?
East Cambridgeshire District Council – which has an implied responsibility for supporting the arts throughout the district – has abandoned ADeC (Arts Development in East Cambridgeshire) to Ely City Council – which doesn't (the clue is in the name). ADeC not only provided expertise and financial support to village arts organisations, but also, through [act] (Arts in Cambs on Tour) organised rural tours by professional companies.
Through ADeC's support, Haddenham alone, over the last 20 years, has seen performances from companies as diverse as Hull Truck theatre company, Adzido Pan-African dance ensemble, Mugenkyo Japanese drummers, the London Community Gospel Choir, the London Mozart Players and the New Rope String Band (among many others) as well film shows, talks and exhibitions. Multiply that across all the villages in East Cambs and you will see how much ADeC has enriched our rural communities.
And now all this is to be lost.
Are village arts going to suffer? Of course they are!
Perhaps the governing party on our District Council should re-examine its priorities...
John Shippey
Haddenham

Let's not create more problems

IN regards to current debate over the current plan for a bypass; let's ask what is a bypass? It's a method of diverting traffic from areas that delay movement by their design.
For a bypass to work it needs to be cost effective, free from future development that may be a problem that could require another solution, another bypass 20 years from now (see Huntingdon – the station flyover has been a problem for years and costs a lot to keep open).
As you have reported last week, there are other developments being considered on the A142 that if the present bypass goes ahead would be a major hold up.
That would be a problem between the station all the way to the Witchford roundabout – would it not be better to change the design of the bypass to remove the problem now before it is built and at the same time resolve the issues that will be there if current plans are included in the future?
This could be done by taking the bypass along the base of Stuntney Hill – this would remove a possible problem of movement due to climate change and secure the hill then it would be able to cross the river and railway without the large structure due to the fact that they are lower at that point and a truck stop could be built at some point to replace the current layby and give the same view of Ely. It could then join the A10 or continue over to the Witchford roundabout.
I have been looking at the costing of road building and I think that this alternative could be built if my facts are up to date as in 2003 the average cost per klm was 2.13 mill per klm on that figure the cost would not be much more
Mick Stimson

Thank you: the play is great

I WOULD like to thank East Cambs District Council etc. for the wonderful facilities they are providing for children and therefore for parents/grandparents to keep their little ones entertained.
The new equipment being added to Pocket Park is exactly what my grandchildren have chosen to use in play areas in other places. I see toddlers, teenagers and adults (surreptitiously) using the equipment. You can be an explorer conquering Everest at the top of the climbing web or the lookout on a pirate ship. You can be the SAS zip wiring into enemy territory or Tree Fu Tom.
I can't wait for the completion of the new facilities. It is also surrounded by interesting nature, trains, boats, water, geocaches, and open spaces for children to develop imaginative activity.
Bob Hughes ('Wrong kind of play', letters, April 17) and any others of his opinion should open their eyes and minds.
Have you seen the heron's nests, the grebes courting, the ducklings?
Have you picked blackberries and sloes, waved to the passing trains and boats and been waved back at?
Have you stared a bull in the eyes or walked within feet of a cow and her calves?
My grandchildren have, and so much more.
Pocket Park/Ely Country Park is just one of the wonderful imagination stimulating facilities in East Cambs.
The CCTV camera is to protect the facility from thoughtless and mean spirited people who drop litter and damage property.
Joan Wall
Lynn Road
ELY

No respect for the countryside

I AGREE with most of what P.D. Eyles wrote last week, other than laying the problem at the feet of the Tories.
The rot set in with the last government which had an ignorant belief that only "toffs" lived in the countryside or owned farms.
Witness the totally unnecessary mass slaughter of cattle with the foot and mouth crisis. It was an act of ignorance and/or spite.
It spent more parliamentary time on banning fox hunting than on anything else.
I was raised in a true blue family and do not recognise today's Tory party as being the same.
It has carried on where Labour left off showing no respect for the countryside, conservation, farming, the armed forces or patriotism.
Our local council mirrors this; it is building like there is no tomorrow. much on green site land, despite no improvement to the infrastructure.
It is all about raising money for itself. So much for cutting the suit to fit the cloth.
Asda has been given permission to sell alcohol until midnight seven days a week despite the UK having one of the worst alcohol problems in the world.
The reason given: "largely welcomed by the locals".
The genuine Soham locals have been overtaken by incomers so the statement is probably bogus.
Many have moved here because it is cheaper than towns and because they fancy living in "the countryside".
However, they then demand town facilities.
Certainly many show little respect for the "countryside" – witness the litter and rubbish thrown in Rivers – and I for one am sickened by what is turning into an urban conurbation where farm land no longer grows food, but grows solar panels or is laid to concrete and bricks. I despair.
D. Donald
Soham

The bypass must happen

READING your letters page every week, with most of the letters about the bypass, it is clear people are now beginning to get very up-tight about it, especially about English Heritage stepping in at the last minute to stop it.
Yes another quango of Government Bureaucrats that do not live in Ely or know of the situation of being held up at the crossing under pass and level crossing for anything up to 40 minutes in every hour and tail backs for miles either side.
There are thousands of houses being built in Ely and the surrounding area; that bypass is urgently needed for people getting to work and home again at night, plus lorries delivering goods to shops in Ely and to villages.
These people who are opposing this bypass have not had that pleasure of being held up 40 minutes in every hour to get to where they want to go.
The letter writers have said it all and many others too have voiced that the bypass should start now.
Even the Dean of Ely Cathedral is all for it. Of cause he is, it makes sense as more people will have easy access to visit the cathedral.
Of course, the longer we wait for this to be built the higher the cost, but English Heritage could not care less so long as they can stop this for as long as they can.
But in the end it will happen, if not Ely dies a death of no progress in this expanding world.
Eddie Holden
Ely Road
Little Downham

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Review: Ely Choral Society's performance of the Mozart Requiem in Ely Cathedral on Saturday 12th April

ELY Choral Society filled Ely Cathedral with some powerful music in their concert featuring Mozart's Requiem last Saturday. Conductor Andrew Parnell, brought this huge choir, expert orchestra and a fine group of soloists together to create a potent effect in their performance.

He had no difficulty in drawing out some very effective contrasts and expression from this massive group of performers and was invariably aware of the musical effect in maintaining a vibrant, energizing pace.

The Ely Festival orchestra, led by Helen Medlock, and Edmund Aldhouse (organ) gave excellent support for this compelling choir and the soloists, Daisy Brown (soprano), Katie Schofield (mezzo soprano), Oliver Johnston (tenor), and Henry Neill (bass) were first rate.

The concert opened with 'Vesperae Solennes de Confessore' by Mozart in which the enthusiasm and personal involvement of the singers in the choir immediately became apparent.

The highlight of this work was undoubtedly the 'Laudate Dominum' in which the sheer beauty of the composition was enhanced by exquisite tone, timing, cohesion, control and balance.

Mozart's appealing sense of joy was reflected in the performance of the 'Requiem' while at the same time, its moments of reflection, excitement and darkness were coloured magnificently. Andrew's astute timing brought this familiar work alive and the sizeable audience were soon caught up in the radiant atmosphere this wonderful performance created.

The next performance to enjoy will be on Saturday 12th July when Ely Choral Society will perform a concert version of Bizet's 'Carmen'.

Contact: www.elychoralsociety.org

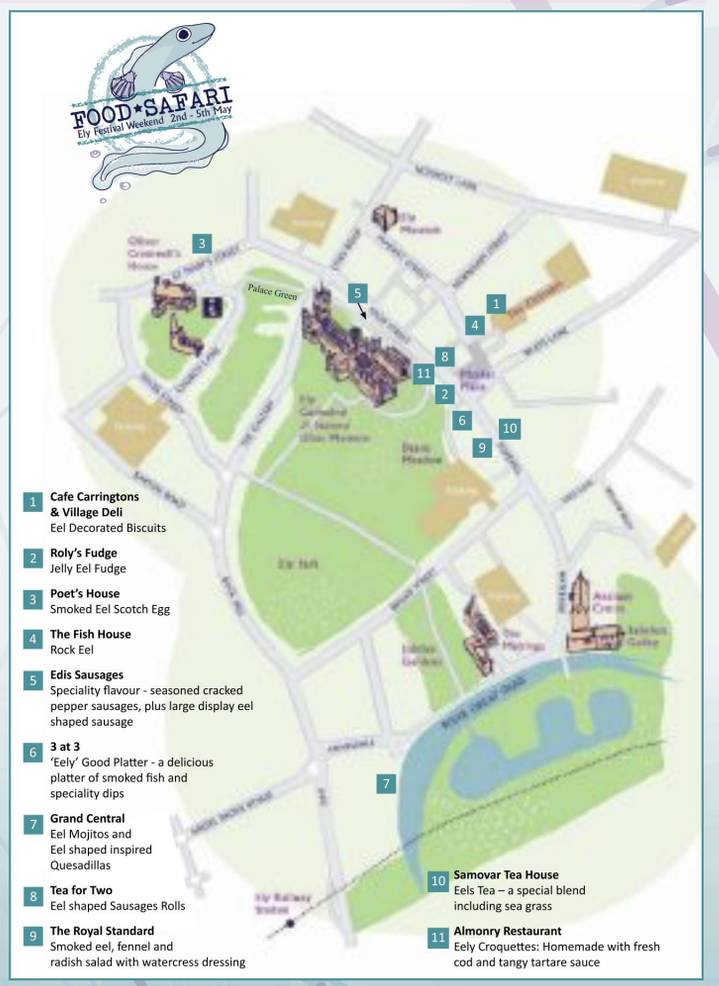
Rosemary Westwell

Ely's Eel Festival Weekend goes from strength to strength and as we celebrate 10 years of this quirky event, we have come up with what we believe is the best line up ever! We have so much to tell you that we have to divide our programme into two! So here is what happening in the first part of the weekend. For details of the full weekend go to www.visitely.org.uk or contact Ely Tourist Information Centre.

Friday 2nd May Launch of Eel Food Safari

Friday also sees the launch of our Eel Food Safari which runs across the whole weekend (subject to the opening times of the participating venues).

A variety of Ely's restaurants, cafés and food venues have embraced our eel theme and are offering special festival dishes/menus using eel or providing creative twists on the eel theme. Look out for the Eel Food Safari logo displaying at participating venues or use the map below to see what exciting eel treats Ely has to offer. Alternatively, download a copy of the map at www.visitely.org.uk or pick up a printed version at Ely Tourist Information Centre.



Friday also see the City Centre Eel Throwing Competition on Ely's Market Place

Applications for the first ever City Centre Business Eel Throwing Competition have been flying out. Join us at 11 am for some fun on Ely's Market Place and see retailers and businesses battle it out to be crowned "City Centre Eel Throwing Business of the Year", kindly sponsored by the Ely Chamber of Commerce. If you are a business and still haven't requested an application form, then please contact tic@eastcambs.gov.uk today!

Saturday 3rd May - Eel Day

Celebrating 10 years of this quirky festival, the annual Eel Day Parade begins at 10.30 am from Cross Green (adjacent to Ely Cathedral). Ely's 'Ellie the Eel' will be heading the carnival inspired procession along part of the City's Eel Trail Heritage Walk – everyone is welcome to join in! Joining "Ellie" will be our new Eel – yet to be named! Our eels are followed by Ely's Samba Band which leads the line down to the Waterside and into Jubilee Gardens where a whole host of eel related activities will be held. Special highlights include the Town Criers' Competition where our very own Town Crier, Avril Hayter, arranges for Criers to descend upon Ely to add their finery and bell ringing to our event. Then of course we have the World Eel Throwing Competition (no eels will be harmed in this competition, just stuffed toys!). Can you beat the World record? This free, fun activity is open to all and is kindly supported by The Cutter Inn.

We have a full programme of arena events in Jubilee Gardens including Folk Music, Eel Pottery Workshops, Music and Dancing, Historical Displays and Re-enactments with lots of family participation opportunities. As you would imagine, eels feature massively in the day and there will be the chance to see live eels and meet our local celebrity eel catcher, Peter Carter. Obviously it wouldn't be Eel Day without the opportunity to sample what was once a staple food in the Fens. So this is your chance to taste smoked and jellied eels as well as more conventional forms of food.

Ely Street Muscioners' Muster, various locations across the City Centre

As well as the riverside being a hive of activity, the City Centre will be taken back in time with the sounds of our Early Muscioners' Muster. Organised by our very own Pied Piper, Tony Pearson, he and his fellow costumed musicians from all across the country will be playing a variety of period music. All musicians will be awarded their "Warrant of Entitlement", which allows them to busk throughout the City of Ely, providing pockets of traditional musical entertainment to bring some merriment into the day.

Market "Street Food Fayre"

To complement Ely's Saturday shopping experience, the Ely Craft Market's street food aisle transforms into the Market "Street Food Fayre" with special offers, promotions and signposting to visually promote the great range of street food available throughout the day.

Look out for next week's paper for details of Part 2 of our Festival programme and find out the latest about our Food and Drink Festival on Sunday 4th and Monday 5th May, supported by G's Fresh. Also, hear about our exciting Golden Eel Deals!

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ASBO beggar is back before judge

GARETH MCPHERSON

A BEGGAR breached his ASBO by repeatedly targeting a vulnerable man on the streets of Ely.

The two-year order was made to stop Paul Green begging and trying to con people out of money after being convicted in 2011 of a fraud in which he told residents his wife was ill and he needed to borrow petrol money.

But the 37-year-old latched onto a "good-natured" man with a brain injury that made him susceptible to conmen – taking a total of £100 off him in late 2013 when they crossed paths in the city.

Green was given a £200 fine and a six-month prison sentence suspended for two years for breaking the two-year order and a breach of a suspended sentence after the judge said sending him to jail would be "counter-productive".

Sara Walker, prosecuting at Cambridge Crown Court, said the defendant told the victim he needed the money for things like repaying a debt to a man with a gun and to buy a razor.

In an impact statement read to the court, the victim described himself as "vulnerable and good-natured" adding he had a brain injury, which combined to make him more trusting.

He added: "I feel extremely concerned about the next time I see Paul and how he may react to me not giving him any more money."

BEGGAR: Paul Green

He said he had fully expected the defendant to pay him back at the time.

Gemma Stokes, mitigating, said Green, of Brangehill Lane, Mepal, had committed no further offences, admitted his guilt early and that his use of heroin had reduced.

Judge Gareth Hawkesworth, sentencing, said it would be "counter-productive" to send Green to jail and attached supervision and drug rehabiltation requirements to he suspended sentence.

He said: "You have led a very difficult life, partly because of mental health difficulties, partly because of heroin misue.

"You fall to be sentenced today for breach of an ASBO, which is no longer in place, which probibited you from begging, and it's clear that you targeted a vulnerable gentleman and extracted £100 from him during the late part of 2013.

"You are also in breach of a suspended sentence which was passed in May 2013."

He added: "Whilst you deserve to be punished further I'm determined to do so in a way that both protects the public from you and protects the level of assistance that you have been receiving."

Boost for local charities thanks to folk festival

EAST Anglia's Children's Hospices (EACH) are £700 better off thanks to the Ely Folk Festival.

The festival committee held its AGM earlier this month and presented the bumper cheque to Ron Moore, a representative of the charity.

The committee has also made donations to EARTH, the Ely-based horticultural charity for people of all ages and abilities, and Milkmaid Molly, a Morris dancing team based in Bury St Edmunds which includes people of all abilities.

Andy Wall, committee chairman, said: "We're delighted to make these contributions as each of these charities is supporting the quality of life of residents in East Anglia.

"A large proportion of the contribution to the charities was collected by the Morris dancing teams who performed in the streets of Ely over the 2013 folk festival weekend.

"So we're grateful to the hard-working morris sides and to the generous people of Ely."

Grand Central Ely is now finally open

A NEW steakhouse was set to open its doors in Ely last night.

After months of anticipation, Grand Central Ely, in Annesdale, was due to open to diners at 6pm.

Steve and Jo Haslam, who run TLC Inns, have spent more than £250,000 transforming what was The Boathouse into the American-style steakhouse and grill.

The couple, who also own The Cutter, which is just a stone's throw away, hoped to open the new venue in February but they say the refurbishment was a "much bigger job than they originally thought".

The new restaurant has created around 25 new jobs.

Steve said: "I'm delighted to say that we have finally opened. We were disappointed that we couldn't open sooner but we wanted to make sure everything was just how we wanted it before we opened the doors.

"The place is totally unrecognisable and we're extremely happy with how Grand Central Ely looks.

"The excitement for this new restaurant is unbelievable – we had 500 people registered as VIP diners before we opened the doors."

Grand Central Ely serves dishes such as steaks, ribs, burgers and shrimps.

Glamour of the 1930s

PERIOD costumes and cabaret musicians will be taking over the village of Little Downham on Sunday.

A fundraising 'Putting on the Ritz' afternoon tea is being held at the village hall, in Main Street.

The 1930s-themed event will feature a sparkling wine reception, cream teas and cabaret singers, musicians and entertainers.

The fun kicks off at 3pm and all money raised will go towards the village hall refurbishment fund.

Tickets are £10 for adults and free for children. The dress code is 1930s or smart attire.

Tickets need to be reserved or purchased in advance by calling (01353) 699575 or (01353) 698483.

Motorcyclist injured in crash with car

A MOTORCYCLIST and a car collided at a notorious accident spot in Soham yesterday morning.

Emergency services, including police and the East of England Ambulance Service (EEAS), were called to the Northfield Road junction on the A142 bypass at around 8am and arrived to find a motorcycle and an Audi A4 had crashed.

An EEAS spokeswoman said that the motorcyclist, a man believed to be aged in his 40s, suffered facial injuries which were "not believed to be serious".

He was taken to Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, by land ambulance.

According to the spokeswoman, nobody travelling in the car was injured.

The road was closed for some time while the vehicles were recovered, causing long tailbacks.

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Deaths

CANHAM Gerda

passed peacefully away at Lily House in the presence of her family on Wednesday April 16th 2014, aged 97 years. Loving sister of Dorothy, Olive, Alice, Eileen and the late Joan. Funeral service to be held at St Martin's Church, Witcham, followed by cremation at March at a date to be confirmed. Family Flowers only but donations if desired for St Martin's Church may be left at the service or sent to C. E. Fuller & Co, 23 Hall Street, Soham, Cambs CB7 5BN Tel: 01353 720439.

CONSTABLE Eileen Mary

passed away peacefully at Addenbrooke's Hospital on Saturday, 5th April, 2014. Much loved wife of Geoff, mum of Daniel, mother-in-law of Heidi, devoted nan of Bonnie, Georgie, Roma-Mae & Lily-May. Funeral service at Mintlyn Crematorium, Kings Lynn on Tuesday, 29th April, at 1.45pm. Family flowers only please but if desired donations made payable to ACT (for Addenbrooke's Hospital Ward C10 Comforts Fund) may be sent c/o R. J. Pepper & Son Family Funeral Directors 2, Ponts Hill, Littleport, Ely, Cambs, CB6 1PZ or at the service. Tel: 01353 860400.

Deaths

WILLSON Sheila

of Ely, passed away peacefully at home on Friday, 11th April, 2014. Beloved wife of John, loving mother of Chris and Kirsi. 'The Heavens have a new Head Gardener'. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Ely on Wednesday, 30th April, 2014 at 12.00noon, followed by committal at Fenland Crematorium, March. Family flowers only but donations, if desired, for Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust - Act on Cancer, may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service, 4 Tower Road, Ely, Cambs CB7 4HW. The family request that no black is worn to the service.

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Burglar, 45, asks to stay behind bars

GARETH MCPHERSON

A BURGLAR who was on disability living allowance asked a judge to let him stay in jail so he could finish his training as a fitness instructor.

Andrew McKintosh, 45, who started the fitness course while in prison on remand, and his brother-in-law Mark Walker, 47, targeted their neighbour's home in Calfe Fen Close, Soham, on January 29.

McKintosh's own barrister High Vass accepted during sentencing at Cambridge Crown Court that the circumstances were "bizarre", in that his client previously maintained he was unfit to work after being shot in the leg and "yet he now appears to be pursuing a career in the gym".

Mr Vass said his client has already achieved a level one certificate as a fitness instructor after being one of just 12 prisoners selected to do the course. He added: "He has been told that if he remains in custody he will be able to take the next level of his training."

When Mr Vass asked the judge to impose an immediate jail sentence, when a pre-sentence report recommended a suspended sentence, Judge Gareth Hawkesworth said it is "an offer I can't refuse".

McKintosh, who has 29 previous convictions, was jailed for a year. Walker, who has 25 previous convictions, was given a six-month prison sentence suspended for two years with a three-month curfew.

The pair stole items including an iPad, camera, pills, aftershave and alcohol when they noticed their neighbour had left their door open in the middle of the day.

Judge Hawkesworth added: "You both got drunk together and then for no conceivable reason whatsoever, behaving like drunken teenagers, you entered someone else's property, and stole relatively valuable items from it. And it was particularly unpleasant in your case Mr Walker because you knew the victim."

BOOTS ARE MADE FOR WALKING: David and Sarah Coles completed the 90-mile challenge in just five days

Duo's charity walk is a success

A COUPLE have raised almost £600 for Macmillan Cancer Care by completing a mammoth walking challenge.

David Coles and his wife, Sarah, walked the 90-mile length of Hadrian's Wall, from Walls End in Newcastle upon Tyne to the Solway Firth on the west coast, in just five days.

David, who is the manager of Boots Opticians in Ely, and Sarah, a primary school teacher in Ten Mile Bank, both know people who have been affected by cancer so took on the challenge to raise as much as they could for Macmillan.

To donate, visit www.justgiving.com/DavidandSarahHadriansWall or pop into Boots Opticians in Ely's High Street.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Free antique fair this weekend

ANTIQUE collectors and vintage fanatics will be in their element in Soham on Sunday when a bumper vintage retro fair is being held at Soham Village College.

Running from 12-4pm, local auctioneer David Palmer will be hosting an auction of curios and collectables, plus there will be stalls, displays and demonstrations and specialists from Batemans Auctioneers to value your items.

Entry is free.

Raising funds for African school

AN art exhibition and coffee morning is being held to raise funds for a school in Uganda.

The events are running at Ely Methodist Church, in Chapel Street, on Saturday.

Running from 10am-noon, there will also be stalls, cakes and demonstrations in braiding and beading.

Entry to the exhibition, which is raising funds for Nakulabye Junior School in Kampala, is £2.

Grab a bargain at sale at college

BABY and children's clothes, toys and equipment will be on sale at Ely College on Saturday.

The Isle of Ely branch of the National Childbirth Trust (NCT) is holding a nearly new sale there from 10.30am-12.30pm. Entry is 50p per family and refreshments will be served.

Choir invites you to taster night

A LOCAL community choir is holding a free taster session on Sunday.

The Rock Vox Choir, who sing everything from rock to soul music, is hosting the event at Prickwillow Village Hall from 7-9pm. Visit www.rockvoxchoir.co.uk.

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Cloudy2Clear service the Cambridge, Ely, Saffron Walden, Haverhill, Royston & Newmarket areas and Tim is finding that his approach is a major factor in his success. *'The truth is that it's not just the personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people I've done work for, which just goes to show how much a little bit of effort is appreciated.'*

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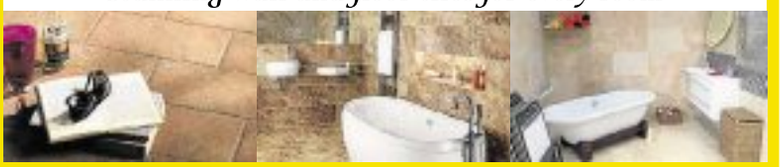

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TALENTED: Megan's ambition is to become a West End dancer

Help Megan fulfill her dance dream

JORDAN DAY

A TEENAGER is desperately seeking sponsors to help her fulfil her dreams of becoming a West End dancer.

Talented Megan Vail, 16, is one of only 150 young dancers to be offered a place at the prestigious Urdang Academy in London.

After a successful audition, Megan, who lives with her family in Witchford and is a Year 11 pupil at Witchford Village College, secured a place to study a foundation course in dance and musical theatre at the academy this September.

But there is one major hurdle in her way – the course fees are £7,000.

Megan's family are now desperately trying to raise the money but they fear they won't be able to in time for September.

Megan, who is a member of the Bodywork Company Dance Studios in Cambridge, where she trains every night, is appealing for anybody who can help sponsor her to get in touch.

She said: "I hope to fulfil my dreams of becoming a West End star but I need help to pay for my fees as unfortunately I am not eligible for a student loan.

"I definitely have the right attitude to pursue a career in professional dance and I have worked so hard to get this far already.

"However I'm only an ordinary teenage girl from an ordinary working class family, so the money is the only thing in the way."

If you can help Megan, who has recently performed at the London Royal Opera House, call (01353) 772938 or email meganvail8@aol.com.

Unemployment figures dropping

UNEMPLOYMENT figures are continuing to decrease in the Ely area.

Data released by the Office for National Statistics shows that the number of unemployed claimants in South East Cambridgeshire during March was 799, which is 503 lower than during the same month last year.

It is also 75 less claimants than in February this year. The figure represents 1.3 per cent of the economically active population aged between 16 and 64.

Nationally, the level of unemployment fell by 77,000 in the three months leading up to February. The national unemployment rate now stands at 6.9 per cent.

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DEDICATED: Keren Goff has been selected as a special ambassador for Cancer Research UK

Keren chosen as charity ambassador

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A WOMAN who has gone out of her way to raise thousands of pounds for Cancer Research UK has been chosen as a special ambassador for the charity.

Keren Goff, 36, from Ely, was named as one of the beneficiary's year-long 'go the distance ambassadors' at the same time it was unveiled as the official charity partner for the Virgin Money London Marathon 2015.

To celebrate its special year of running, Cancer Research UK has appointed 26 inspirational ambassadors – one to represent each mile of the marathon.

Each ambassador has gone the distance with cancer themselves or has supported a loved one through their battle with the disease.

Keren will now be encouraging people in her local area to go their own distance for Cancer Research UK by taking up a running challenge this year – whether it's a long-distance endurance event or a lap of their local playing field.

Keren, who runs Fordham Boarding Cattery, is no stranger to the perils of cancer having seen 26 friends and relatives affected by the disease.

She said: "Many people in my life have been affected by cancer including members of my family and my husband's family, as well as friends and clients of my cattery and their relatives.

"My first recollection was of my grandad when I was about five. Then my cousin had a brain tumour when I was about 16 and I read a eulogy at her funeral. Her death affected me a lot, but cancer has always been in our family."

The most recent was her mother-in-law's partner who lost his fight against cancer two years ago.

Keren has completed nearly 40 running events for Cancer Research UK, including numerous Race for Life events and half marathons.

In 2011, she took part in five events in five weeks - two 5k and two 10k Race for Life's and her first half marathon – while 2012 saw her complete an amazing 19 events to mark the year of the Olympics, including her first marathon.

All in all, Keren has raised almost £12,000 over the last three years, but will be setting herself a new challenge for 2015 of £4,216.50, which is based on the number of kilometres in a marathon.

She is now urging people across the Ely area to take on some sort of running challenge over the next 12 months to raise funds.

To support her fundraising, visit www.justgiving.com/teams/challenge-cause-cure. For information about Cancer Research UK running events, visit www.cruk.org/support-us/find-an-event.

Action-packed week of fun for our local air cadets

AIR cadets from 1094 Ely Squadron enjoyed an action-packed of activities at their annual Easter Camp.

They joined around 300 cadets and 70 members of volunteer staff from across Cambridgeshire and Bedfordshire at the camp at the Stanford Training Area in Norfolk.

The main activity was a 36-hour exercise which saw the cadets being deployed out into the field to live in shelters they had built themselves and to eat military rations.

Other activities included orienteering, raft building and abseiling 115 feet down an artillery observation tower. For information about the Ely cadets, visit http://1094ely.co.uk.

Feast of textiles art on show at new exhibition

TALENTED textile artists from across the region will be showcasing their work to the public in Ely.

Members of Stitch Links are holding their third exhibition at the Babylon Gallery, in Waterside.

The exhibition, entitled 'Continuum', opens on Saturday (April 26) and is running until Sunday, May 25.

A spokeswoman for the gallery said: "This exciting exhibition will explore a wide range of materials and techniques, including hand-stitching, machine stitch, dyeing, felt, origami, shibori and quilting."

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The house at the bottom of the garden

Pushed out of their period home by their burgeoning tearoom business, George and Rachel Peacock decided to build a new house – at the bottom of their garden. ALICE RYAN takes a tour of the Ely new-build; contemporary, classic and quirky by turns. Pictures by Keith Jones

DOWN by the river in Ely, a short and unassuming lane runs between a pair of period buildings. Sandwiched betwixt the famed Peacocks Tearoom (to the left) and contemporary art gallery Babylon (to the right), you'd be forgiven for walking straight past, with not so much as a sideways glance.

But a smart new brickwork path now invites you to turn off the beaten track and along the little lane. As soon as you round the corner, you can see what the pathway leads to: a striking new-build, with cylindrical tower, black and tan bricks and egg-yolk-yellow windows.

This is the home of George and Rachel Peacock, owners of the aforementioned tea house.

They lived alongside their ever-expanding business until last year, when it took over their Georgian home completely: in 10 years, it has grown from a single room and galley kitchen to cover the entire ground floor; upstairs is now a chic B&B.

"When we started I'd never baked a cake in my life. Not even a scone. So there were a few tears while I learned how to do it," laughs Rachel. Her skills are now renowned: Peacocks has won more awards than you can throw a crumpet at (homemade, obviously) and *Guardian* food critic Hardeep Singh Kohli declared it the site of "the most delicious quiche I have ever tasted". That's praise.

Before starting the tearoom, Rachel was an antiques dealer and George a solicitor; both ready for a change, and with their children fast flying the nest, they decided a home business was the answer.

"We were driving back from dropping George's middle daughter at university," recalls Rachel. "By the time we arrived home, the whole thing was planned out.

"After 10 years, we were being pushed out of the house by the tearoom. Plus George had always wanted to build on this plot, because it backs right on to the river: it's in such a lovely position," continues Rachel.

So, as with the tearoom a decade earlier, they followed their (some might say maverick) instincts and took the plunge.

The result is, from the outside, a thoroughly modern affair: just take those metal Danish windows, in their sunshine-yellow shade. But there are also nice nods to the geography and history of the town the Peacocks call home.

The brickwork is interspersed with panels of both local flint and carrstone, the distinctive orange sandstone which, known affectionately as 'gingerbread', is quarried in Snettisham and synonymous with our corner of the country.

Even the runs of black engineering bricks channel what one planner dubbed 'a warehouse ethic'; they're a familiar presence in local work-a-day buildings (you'll even find them in the old sheds out in the Peacocks' garden).

Step inside the house, though, and it's got a distinctly period feel: antiques sit against a backdrop of William Morris wallpaper and classic Farrow & Ball emulsion. The contrast between new and old is marked, yet somehow seamless.

"We did toy with the idea of building a 'new old house'; doing it in a period style," admits George. "But, like everything we do, it evolved along the way. . . And we couldn't be more pleased with the end result.

"The main thing is that it makes the very most of the location: this house is all about the position; all about the river. We wake up in the morning to the sound of blades cutting through the water. What could be lovelier?"

The Cambridge Light Blues train daily at dawn on this precise stretch of the Ouse. Perched on their bedroom balcony, the Peacocks have a ringside seat.

George bought the land, part of an old brewhouse and maltings site, 'years and years and years ago' from a friend; the extant buildings date from the 18th century.

The footprint of the house is roughly square, sitting on the riverbank next to a former warehouse – now the Babylon – at the very bottom of what was the tearoom's garden.

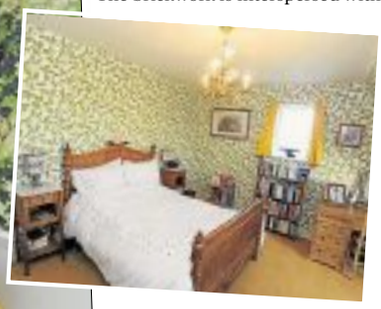
There is still plenty of garden left, mind: along with the aged stone sheds, it accommodates a remarkably unspoiled shepherd's hut, complete with underbed cubbyhole for nursing sickly lambs. Unbelievably, it was an eBay buy.

Planning for the house began in 2011, permission granted in 2012 and building work completed last summer. The Peacocks collaborated with Freeman Brear, the Ely architects, on the design. And it was very much a collaboration: many of the property's stand-out features were conceived by either George or Rachel themselves.

The tower – which spans all three storeys of the house, encasing the staircase – was inspired by a similar edifice on Ely's Broad Street, which George has long admired. Every window frame meets the internal walls with a smooth curve, rather than a right-angled corner; another ingenious move by George, designed to funnel in more daylight – also the reason behind the multi-aspect windows in the master bedroom.

"One thing we really couldn't decide on was the location of the bathroom: I think it was planned into every corner of the first floor at different times," muses George. "Honestly, I think we were a nightmare for the architects. An absolute nightmare. I'm just glad we didn't have the *Grand Designs* team looking over our shoulders with a camera . . .

"But you want to get it right. And



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you want to put something of yourself into the house; to give it character. That's part of the pleasure of building a house from scratch: you can really make it your own."

Constructed by Salmons Bros, another Ely firm (which, rather sweetly, started life in one of the sheds in this very garden), the new-build has character aplenty.

Reclaimed objects – like a pair of aged oak pillars, and the carved lions which were probably pew ends in their day – have been built into the fabric of the house, plus it's been decorated with George and Rachel's signature aplomb.

The ground floor avoids that cold and echoey feeling which so often comes hand-in-glove with an open-plan layout, thanks to warm colours (the aubergine kitchen cabinets, the red fridge, the russet-striped sofa), plentiful patterns (the sitting room area is papered in William Morris's Willow) and a joyfully eclectic array of furniture (a worn and wonky butcher's block, a 1960s Covent Garden market trolley, a leggy Tudor cabinet which Rachel's mother – while a dancer with the esteemed Ballet Rambert – bought on tour and transported home in the scenery skip).

George and Rachel's shared sense of fun pervades the whole place. In other less-interesting houses, the downstairs-loo-come-utility-room would likely be emulsioned in Magnolia and otherwise ignored; chez Peacock, it's decorated on a theatrical theme – the walls are covered in Fornasetti's Teatro paper, and the appliances are curtained off with swathes of red velvet. Doing the laundry has never looked so good.

Up the wooden hill to the first floor and the master bedroom and bathroom are equally full of charm and surprises.

"We went to see the film *Quartet* and I loved Maggie Smith's bed, so I scoured the internet until I found one like it," says Rachel, who unearths most of her antique gems at markets and online.

The centrepiece of the bathroom, which is papered with a deep green ivy print, is a roll-top bath – enamelled in the same eggy shade as the windows. "We'd had it forever and it needed re-enamelling," explains George.

"We asked if they could do anything other than white – we both like yellow, as you've probably guessed. The people who did it were worried it was so bright, and offered to redo it in white free of charge if we didn't like it. But we do . . ."

The top floor of the house contains guest accommodation, including the prettiest bedroom and a bathroom with a skylight view of the cathedral. If you want the full panorama, you can shimmy up a pull-down staircase and out onto a flat roof.

As part of the planning application, George, in his own inimitable style, penned a ditty: a riff on the classic nursery rhyme, it was titled 'This is the house that George wants'.

Securing permission for the new-build was far from hurdle-free, and, being right on the river, setting the foundations in the claggy clay took two months alone; the build was complete within nine months.

"Because we were living just next door, we popped in every day to see how things were coming along," remembers Rachel.

"The builders were lovely and didn't mind us sticking our heads in, thank goodness. There was one day when I walked into the ground floor and thought 'Oh no! What have we done!' – it just seemed so cold and empty.

"But the minute we moved in – and moved our things in – it felt like home. One of my favourite spots is the butcher's block: I like to sit there with a cup of coffee, right in the middle of everything, and take it in."

"But it's like George says: this house is really all about the position," Rachel concludes.

"Waking to the sight of the sun rising over the river – that's really something special."

■ Peacocks Tearoom & Fine B&B is at 65 Waterside, Ely, Cambridgeshire CB7 4AU. Visit *peacockstearoom.co.uk* for details.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Country singers coming to town!

POPULAR country singers Travis Logan and Shaun Loughrey are coming to Soham.

Travis will be performing at The Brook, in Brook Street, on Sunday, April 27 at 2pm and Shaun will be entertaining the crowds there on Friday, May 2 at 9pm.

For tickets or more information, call (01353) 721748.

History group's talk is tomorrow

JONATHAN Spain will be guest speaker at tomorrow's Fenland History on Friday talk in Ely.

The talk, entitled 'The Haslingfield Shrine', is being held at Ely Library from 10.30am-12.30pm.

Non-members are welcome. Call (01353) 648106 for more information.

Free concert for all at cathedral

THE Suffolk Singers are hosting a lunchtime concert at Ely Cathedral today.

The free concert starts at 1.10pm and all are welcome.

Your chance to unwind at library

RELAX and unwind at Ely Library on Tuesday, April 29.

Dee Loakes is holding her next meditation session there from 10.45-11.45am. Call 07901 774660 for more details.

Live 'King Lear' screening in Ely

SHAKESPEARE'S 'King Lear' is being screened live from London's National Theatre in Ely.

The screening is being held at The Maltings on Thursday, May 1 at 7pm.

For tickets or more information, call (01353) 616991 or visit www.adec.org.uk.

CAST MEMBERS: Of CAT Theatre Company's upcoming show, The Owl and The Pussycat

Laughs galore at CAT's next show

THEATRE and comedy lovers are in for a treat in Ely.

CAT Theatre Company are now putting the finishing touches to their production of The Owl and The Pussycat.

Performances are being held at Ely College, in Downham Road, from Friday, May 2 – Sunday, May 4.

The director of the family-friendly show, Peter Crussell, said: "We felt it was important to keep the spirit of Edward Lear's original poem alive, so we embellished it, added a few extra characters and tried to imagine why the Owl and the Pussycat would set off to sea."

Performances are being held at 7.30pm on Friday and Saturday and also at 2.30pm on Saturday and Sunday.

Tickets are available from Burrows Bookshop in Ely's High Street Passage or by visiting www.cately.ticketsource.co.uk.

New schools plan closer

A TRUST which is in charge of more than 20 academy schools in the UK is a step closer to adding two more to its portfolio.

The Greenwood Dale Foundation Trust has been chosen as the preferred sponsor for two new schools which will be built in Littleport.

The decision has been made by Cambridgeshire County Council's cabinet but it will be the Secretary of State for Education who has the final say.

Plans to build the new schools in

JORDAN DAY

the village have been in the pipeline for years but have gathered pace recently.

Three organisations applied to the council to run the new schools – the Active Learning Trust, which will be running the new primary school in North Ely – the Greenwood Dale Foundation Trust and the Lilac Sky Academy.

Cabinet was being recommended to choose the Greenwood Dale Foundation Trust, which is currently in charge of 23 academy schools.

In a report to members, Cllr David Harty, cabinet member for education and learning, said the trust was particularly strong as it "demonstrated the greatest experience of improving outcomes for 'education, skills and training' in areas of high deprivation".

As previously reported, the schools – both due to open in September 2016 – will be co-located on land near Littleport Leisure Centre.

The secondary school will cater initially for 600 pupils aged from 11 to 16, with the potential for future expansion up to 750 pupils. The special school will cater for 110 pupils aged from 2 to 19 with complex special educational needs.

A spokeswoman for the trust said she was unable to comment until the Secretary of State for Education had made their decision.

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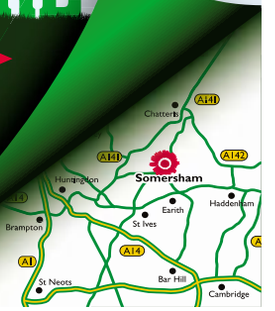

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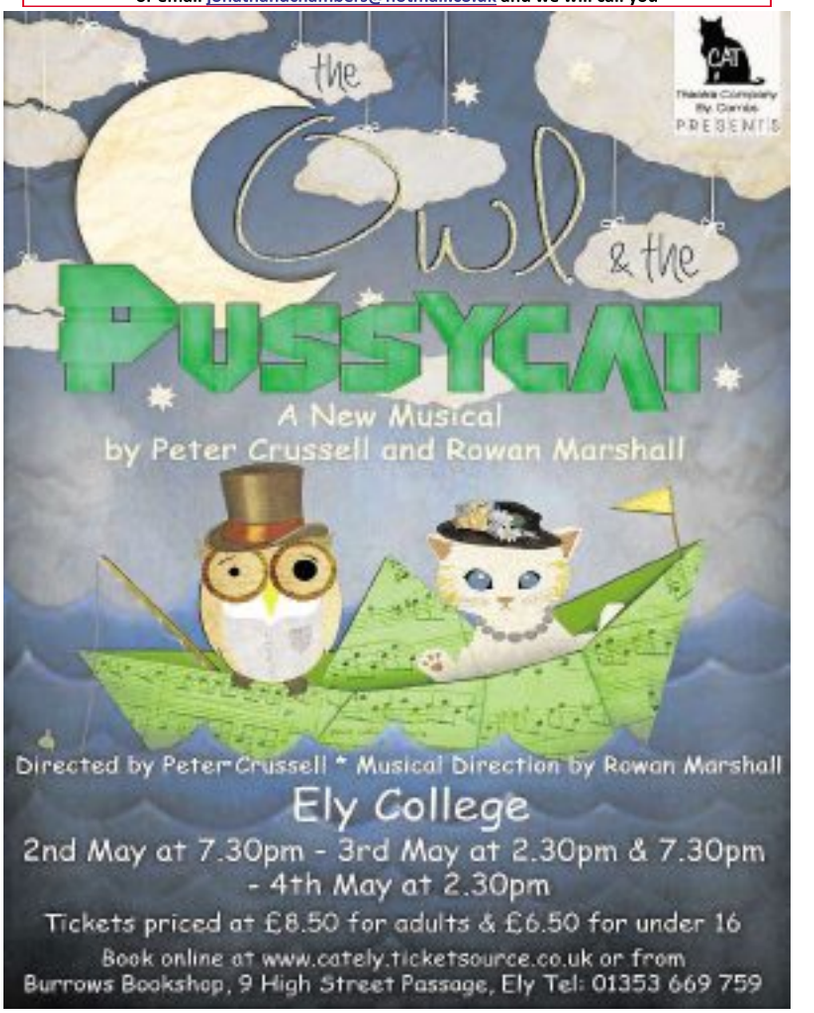

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New manager for Ely Motor Services Ltd

A LOCAL car garage has a new manager.

Brian Wilkin has joined the small team at Ely Motor Services, in Prickwillow, as manager.

He is a well-known figure locally, having worked in the Ely garage trade for over 35 years.

Jo Dening, managing director at Ely Motor Services, which is based in Ely Road, said: "I'm delighted to have someone with Brian's experience on board in taking our business onwards and upwards.

"We set Ely Motor Services up in 2012 centred around honesty, being a great business to deal with and great value for money - and also as a reaction to the 'Rip-off Britain' culture that seemed to be becoming all too common."

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BLOGGER: Sue Flay will be sharing her tips on social media at the masterclass

Improve your use of social media

WEB and social media specialists, Sookio Ltd, are launching a new series of masterclasses to help businesses and organisations improve their social media skills.

The firm, which is based in Forehill, Ely, and was founded by Sue Keogh in 2008, is holding the first masterclass at Cambridge Brew House in King Street, Cambridge, on Tuesday, April 29.

Sue said: "The first event features Age UK, Grazia magazine, the University of Cambridge and local blogger Miss Sue Flay, who will all be sharing easy-to-follow, practical tips on making social media work."

It's running from 6-9pm. Reserve your place by visiting www.sookio.com.

Charged up for trading overseas

ELY-based emergency mobile phone charger manufacturer, PowerPackXL, has just send its first batch of products to international customers.

JORDAN DAY

The company designs and manufacturers devices that are aimed at smartphone users who constantly using their phones and suffer a flat battery half-way through the day.

The unit is rechargeable and will charge the average smartphone up to four times from flat.

Jeremy Reeve, the firm's managing director, said: "We're delighted that our product has attracted a global audience.

"We've worked hard over the last 12 months to progress in the UK market, but going international was a bit of a surprise to be honest.

"We've used social media for lots of marketing and this has helped us reach International markets.

"We've seen that about three in 10 of our enquiries were coming from overseas, so decided to add international posting to the website.

"Since then we've had dozens of orders from the USA, France, Peru, and Australia."

The most popular product has been the new PowerPackXL-Mini, which is a wallet sized phone charger.

PowerPackXL is available online at www.powerpackxl.com or from high street stores.

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Natalie Imbruglia

Things We Do For Love*, Cambridge Arts Theatre, Monday, May 5 – Saturday, May 10 at 7.45pm. Tickets £15-£35 from (01223) 503333 / *cambridgeartstheatre.purchase-tickets-on-line.co.uk.

NATALIE Imbruglia is a pop star, film star and TV actress, *writes James Rampton.*

Apparently that wasn't enough, now she's showing the world she has yet another string to her bow, making her British stage debut in Alan Ayckbourn's *Things We Do For Love*. And she couldn't be more excited about it.

After a long day of rehearsals, the arduousness of her day does not show. A woman who is even more beautiful in person than in photographs, Imbruglia looks fresh and flawless – it's no surprise she was ranked number six in a 2004 poll of the 100 most naturally beautiful women ever.

Wispy hair frames gorgeous features, which burst into life when she starts to discuss how thrilled she is to be starring opposite Claire Price, Edward Bennett and Simon Gregor in *Things We Do For Love*. "I have to keep pinching myself," Natalie exclaims. "How did I end up here? I can't tell you how excited I am about it!"

She plays Nikki, a trusting, slightly naive, but unremittingly positive woman who moves in with her fiancé Hamish in the flat above her old school friend Barbara. Hamish and Barbara are polar opposites and don't hit it off. But their relationship then develops rather unexpectedly…

The 39-year-old Australian, who first made her name in *Neighbours*, landed the role in a decidedly unconventional manner. "I was in LA, so it had to do the audition by Skype – very modern! When Laurence [Boswell, the director] offered me the role, I was like, 'Really? How amazing! You actually want me to do it – I wasn't expecting that!'"

This is all new to Natalie. All the same, the performer, who had a global hit single with *Torn*, has been relishing the rehearsal process. "I'm definitely the rookie in this company. I'm sure the other actors were wondering how it was going to be to have a singer join them.

"I'm sure they had certain preconceived ideas about how I could be. So it's really nice that we are getting on so well. They can see that I'm a team player.

"They're all brilliant – they're such professionals. It's great to work with very experienced actors who really know what they're doing. In the rehearsal room, I'm like a sponge."

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A study in love

IT'S almost exactly a year since Cambridge Junction-based performance company, 30 Bird, staged *Domestic Labour – A Study In Love* at the venue's SAMPLED Festival.

Unfinished and still in development at the time, this week the team – who put on brilliantly unique pieces of drama, art, dance and film, and support young, innovative talent while they're at it – return with the complete article.

Investing in a scrapyard's worth of household appliances (bicycles, hoovers and whisks) for props, the piece has been imagined by visual artist Chris Dobrowolski, and written by Mehrdad Seyf.

And it's basically a love story; touching on war, bicycles and, um, the withdrawal method, questioning feminism and equality as it goes.

Moments from European and Iranian history (East meets West) meld with a husband and wife wrangling over who's going to do the washing up.

The original inspiration for the piece came from Susan B Anthony, the American Civil Rights leader, who, in 1896 said: "I think [the bicycle] has done more to emancipate women than any one thing in the world… It gives her a feeling of self-reliance and independence the moment she takes her seat; and away she goes, the picture of untrammelled womanhood."

It sounds a bit heavy going but in fact promises surrealism, fun and bizarre 'kinetic installations' – put simply: dancing wheels, hoover scooters, and military kit made from whisks. The idea is these ordinary domestic objects will be transformed into mechanical artworks.

There will be a post-show talk with writer Seyf and Dr Lucy Delap of King's College London whose research helped inspire the show.

■ 30 Bird: Domestic Labour – A Study In Love, Cambridge Junction, Thursday, April 24 at 7.30pm. Tickets £13 from (01223) 511511 / *junction.co.uk*

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The Wild One [pg]: Sun 1
ROH. Live: The Winter's Tale [no cert]: Mon 7.15
Rastamouse: Mouseland Sports Day [u]: Mon 10.30am; Wed 10.30am
Met. Encore: Cosi Fan Tutte [as live:12a]: Tues 1
Introduction to Film-Making (Ages 21+) [u]: Wed 6
Encore: Vikings Live from the British Museum [as live:12a]: Thu 1
NT Live: King Lear (no cert): Thu 7

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Philomena (12a): Sun-Mon 7.30

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Calvary (15): Fri 11.30am, 2.15, 5.30, 8; Sat 3, 5.30, 8.15; Sun 2, 4.30, 7; Mon 12noon, 2.45, 5.30, 8; Tues 2.30, 5.30, 8; Wed 11.30am, 2.15, 5.15, 7.45; Thu 2.15, 5.30, 8
Salvo (12A): Tues 8
The Wild One (PG): Sun 12.30
Picturehouse Pythons, Kids Club: Mr Peabody & Sherman (U): Sat 11am
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now showing

The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (12A)
THE Amazing Spider-Man 2 opens with a protracted flashback to the night Richard Parker (Campbell Scott) and his wife Mary (Embeth Davidtz) leave their young son in the care of Aunt May (Sally Field) and Uncle Ben (Martin Sheen). The reason for this sudden disappearance continues to haunt Peter (Garfield). So too does the ghost of Captain Stacy (Denis Leary), whose daughter Gwen (Stone) is Peter's on-off-on-off girlfriend. While Peter hones his powers, childhood friend Harry Osborn (Dane DeHaan) returns to the Big Apple to assume control of Oscorp in the wake of the death of his bullying father, Norman (Chris Cooper). Harry's ascension coincides with an industrial accident that transforms nerdy employee and Spider-Man fanatic, Max Dillon (Jamie Foxx), into an electrically-charged monster. Thus Peter must potentially give up his life to protect Gwen and Aunt May from harm.

The Love Punch (12A)
RICHARD Jones (Brosnan) and his ex-wife Kate (Thompson) are crippled by loneliness as they lead unfulfilling separate lives. He is poised to retire to the golf course with best friend Jerry (Timothy Spall) while she reluctantly agrees to blind dates organised by Jerry's well-meaning wife, Penelope (Celia Imrie). "Taking your laptop into the garden is not 'getting out there'," Penelope reminds Kate. Shortly after the couple's daughter Sophie (Tuppence Middleton) flies the nest for university, Machiavellian French businessman Vincent Kruger (Laurent Lafitte) plunders the pension fund of Richard's company, leaving the Joneses on the brink of financial ruin. A trip to Paris to confront Kruger ends badly so Kate suggests they steal the hulking diamond necklace, which Kruger's unsuspecting fiancee (Louise Bourgoin) is set to wear on their wedding day.

Divergent (12A)
FUTURISTIC Chicago is divided into five factions – Abnegation, Amity, Candor, Dauntless and Erudite – which exemplify positive aspects of the human personality: selflessness, cordiality, honesty, intelligence and courage. On a specific day each year, 16-year-olds undergo an aptitude test that reveals their destiny. Beatrice Prior (Shailene Woodley) is poised to take that test. She lives in Abnegation with her brother Caleb (Ansel Elgort) and parents Andrew (Tony Goldwyn) and Natalie (Ashley Judd) but questions where her future lies. The results of Beatrice's test are inconclusive and Tori (Maggie Q), who administers the procedure behind closed doors, tells the 16-year-old that she is a Divergent. Beatrice must hide her status because Divergents threaten the finely-balanced system and are being hunted by Jeanine Matthews (Kate Winslet), strident leader of Erudite. When the time comes to choose her destiny, Beatrice opts for Dauntless and begins rigorous training under hunky instructor Four (Theo James). Fellow newcomer Peter (Miles Teller) takes an immediate dislike to Beatrice and attempts to bully her out of Dauntless. However, she is resilient and draws encouragement from three new friends, Christina (Zoe Kravitz), Al (Christian Madsen) and Will (Ben Lloyd-Hughes).

There's a Fox in the garden

HAVEN: The garden at the West London home of actress Emilia Fox, inset

At the end of a hard day's filming, Silent Witness star Emilia Fox likes nothing better than to venture into her oasis of calm, with its walls of lavender, pretty clematis and fragrant roses.

The south-facing garden, which complements her elegant Victorian home in west London, was lovingly created with the help of her garden designer pal, Sue Gernaey. Emilia says that if she could change her own career, she would become a gardener.

"I'm constantly begging if I can come and work for her (Sue), so I can give everything up and become a gardener," says Emilia, the daughter of actors Joanna David and Edward Fox.

by Hannah Stephenson

The garden has been a labour of love for the 39-year-old actress, who is the face of B&Q's new campaign to replace all polystyrene packaging in its range of bedding plants and use non-peat compost.

"When I first moved in, the garden was full of rocks and stones and lots of odd protruding wood, but it had a lovely, huge bay tree and I'd always dreamed of having my own proper English country cottage garden. I've always found cottage gardens very romantic and I'm probably a bit of an old romantic.

"So, we took the whole thing out and started from scratch. It's the most rewarding thing I've ever done.

"I'm a trial-and-error gardener so I always knew that the best thing to do would be to put in the things that would come up each year. Sue laughed at me because when it came to bulb planting time she asked how many I wanted to order and I just said, cram it full, and they're all coming up now – all the tulips. It's like a floral revolution out there. There are pinks, whites, and almost black tulips."

These include T. 'Mondial', 'Angelique', 'Queen of Night', 'Spring Green' , 'Burgundy' and 'Albion Star'. She also has plenty of muscari and Allium 'Purple Sensation'.

"I also wanted there to be a lot of roses because when I moved in I was having my little girl, who is called Rose. So, where you sit outside to eat, there are a lot of roses. There's also a wall of lavender by the table, leading on to a traditional lawn which is curved at the top and then surrounded by beds of roses, clematis and herbs, passion flowers and myrtle, all the things that make it smell delicious in summer.

"My favourite plant is the Natasha Richardson rose, a beautiful light pink rose with an old-fashioned scent. My sister got it for me in memory of Natasha [who died in a skiing accident in 2009] and it's just outside the back door underneath the lavender wall."

Emilia also wanted to try and replicate some of the sensory elements of gardens she'd experienced when living in the US.

"When I lived in Los Angeles, everywhere you went there were delicious smells at night. I knew I couldn't recreate the same thing but I wanted a similar feeling of every sense being stimulated when you go out into the garden."

This clear passion for gardening comes from her mother, she explains.

"My mum has incredibly green fingers. My childhood memories are of hyacinths and paperwhites up the stairs, while the table was always full of wild flowers and sweet peas. Now, I buy a ridiculous amount of flowers and put them outside as well, so what you look out to at the moment is lots of beautiful burgundy ranunculas and tulips and tuberosas in those old-fashioned enamel jugs.

"I've always felt that wherever you go, if you've got flowers it will feel like home."

Despite a busy acting career, Emilia tries to spend as much "therapeutic" time in the garden as she can.

"It's probably one of the most rewarding things, because you get to see the results."

She is supporting the B&Q Teabag Technologys in those old-fashioned enamel jugs.

"It's key that we care about the environment as much as we care about how beautiful our gardens are," she urges.

puzzles

crossword

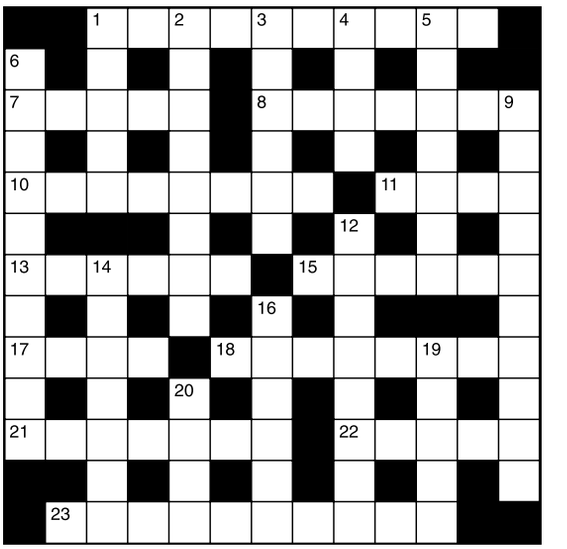
ACROSS

1. Possibly a silhouette of rooms (5,5)
7. Calculating creature (5)
8. Churchmen from strange circles (7)
10. They might be painless dogs (8)
11. Runner has time for a short satirical piece (4)
13. A negative reply upset Daniel (6)
15. Say the officer is shelled (6)
17. The star gave out (4)
18. Fantasise about dead army (8)
21. Complaining to the fence (7)
22. Substance you have to rinse roughly (5)
23. A lot may be a bargain (1,5,4)

DOWN

1. Awfully hardy Greek monster (5)
2. The end of the tramline (8)
3. Place where you get a cello repaired? (6)
4. A ruse to upset the employer (4)
5. What you do to the gravy in the kitchen (7)
6. Eavesdrops, somehow, when disregarded (6,4)
9. Colony in agreement (10)
12. Information on oddly armed French policeman (8)
14. Ganging up and scolding (7)
16. Apprehended in the tribunal, say (6)
19. Stand for a headless animal (5)
20. A very good penalty (4)

Last week's answers: Across: 6 Pensive; 7 Denim; 9 Ate; 10 Broadside; 12 HMS Pinafore; 15 Astronomers; 17 Punchline; 19 Tie; 21 Means; 22 Avarice. Down: 1 Keats; 2 Ask; 3 Aver; 4 Ceasefire; 5 Cinders; 8 Barnum; 11 Americans; 13 Panels; 14 Assured; 16 Pitch; 18 Nova; 20 Arm.



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Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters

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SATURDAY

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.30 Nigellissima. 12.00pm Football Focus. 12.45 Saturday Sportsday. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. **1.15 Live Snooker: The World Championship.** The afternoon session on day eight at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield. **2.00 Live Challenge Cup Rugby League.** Leeds Rhinos v St Helens (Kick-off 2.30pm). **4.30 Final Score. 5.20 FILM: Madagascar (2005).** Animated comedy, with the voice of Ben Stiller.

6.40 **BBC News;** Regional News; Weather.
7.00 **Pointless Celebrities.** Guests from the world of comedy take part.
7.50 **The National Lottery: In It to Win It.** Dale Winton presents the quiz show.
8.40 **Casualty.** Dixie risks her job to take a patient to see his dying mother, while a woman's unusual birthday treat to herself lands her in hospital. Jan Francis and John Bowe guest star.
9.30 **The Guess List.** With Harry Judd, Jason Manford, Carol Vorderman, Aled Jones and Kate Humble.
10.10 **BBC News;** Weather.
10.30 **Match of the Day.** Including highlights of Southampton v Everton.
11.50 **The Football League Show.**

1.10am Weatherview. 1.15 BBC News.

BBC2

6.05am FILM: Caught (1949). Drama, starring Robert Ryan. **7.30 Great British Menu. 10.00 Live Snooker: The World Championship.** Day eight gets under way in Sheffield. **12.00pm Spring Kitchen with Tom Kerridge. 1.30 Escape to the Country. 2.00 Live Snooker: The World Championship.** The afternoon session on day eight at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield. **5.30 Mountain Gorilla.**

6.30 **Flog It! Trade Secrets.**
7.00 **Live Snooker: The World Championship.** The third and final session on day eight in Sheffield.
8.00 **Porridge.** Pilot episode of the classic comedy, starring Ronnie Barker.
8.30 **Mozart in Prague: Rolando Villazon on Don Giovanni.** The Mexican tenor explores the premiere of Mozart's opera.
9.30 **Generation War: Our Mothers, Our Fathers.** New series. German drama following the stories of five friends as their lives take different paths during the Second World War. Volker Bruch and Tom Schilling star.
11.00 **The Sarah Millican Television Programme.**
11.30 **Snooker: The World Championship.**

12.20am Snooker: World Championship Extra.

ITV

6.00am CITV. 8.25 ITV News. 8.30 Weekend. 9.25 FILM: Murder, She Wrote: South by Southwest (1997). Mystery, starring Angela Lansbury. **11.10 Dinner Date. 12.15pm ITV News and Weather;** Weather. **12.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 1.20 The Unforgettable Hughie Green. 1.50 Tipping Point. 2.50 All Star Family Fortunes. 3.35 A Touch of Frost. 5.35 ITV News Anglia;** Weather. **5.45 ITV News and Weather.**

6.00 **Let Me Entertain You.**
6.30 **New You've Been Framed!**
7.00 **Britain's Got Talent.** Ant and Dec present the third audition show, as the judges – Simon Cowell, David Walliams, Amanda Holden and Alesha Dixon – hope to uncover more of the nation's talent.
8.15 **Amazing Greys.** Former England striker Geoff Hurst takes part.
9.15 **Law & Order: UK.** Henry Sharpe's name heads a killer's hit list.
10.15 **The Americans.** Philip monitors US government communications.
11.15 **ITV News and Weather;** Weather.
11.30 **Through the Keyhole.** Larry Lamb and Emma Bunton join Dave Berry on the panel.

12.30am Jackpot247. 3.00 Dinner Date: Australia.

CHANNEL 4

6.00am River Cottage Bites. 6.15 Trans World Sport. 7.10 The Grid. 7.40 A Day at the Races. 7.55 The Morning Line. 9.00 Weekend Kitchen. 10.00 The Big Bang Theory. 10.55 How I Met Your Mother. 11.50 The Simpsons. 12.45pm Marvel's Agents of SHIELD. 1.45 Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Sandown Park, Haydock Park and Ripon. **4.10 Come Dine with Me.**

6.45 **Channel 4 News.**
7.15 **Grand Designs.** Kevin McCloud follows a couple's project to transform a 1960s forester's lodge into a unique Japanese home, complete with a tatami room and sliding paper walls.
8.15 **FILM: Avatar (2009).** A soldier uses a genetically engineered body to help an alien tribe fight off a corrupt mining corporation. James Cameron's sci-fi adventure, with Sam Worthington and Zoe Saldana.
11.25 **FILM: Showgirls (1995).** A stripper sets out to become a star in a Las Vegas show, but reckons without the dubious backstage backstabbing. Adult drama, starring Elizabeth Berkley and Kyle MacLachlan.

1.50am The Good Wife. 2.35 Desperate Housewives. 3.15 Hollyoaks.

CHANNEL 5

6.00am Milkshake! 10.00 Gibraltar: Britain in the Sun. 11.00 Benidorm ER. 12.00pm Beware! Cowboy Builders Abroad. Dominic Littlewood and Gabrielle Blackman help an expat couple in Cyprus. **1.00 FILM: Columbo: Ashes to Ashes (1998).** Detective drama, starring Peter Falk and Patrick McGoohan. **2.55 FILM: Private Benjamin (1980).** Comedy, starring Goldie Hawn. **5.00 FILM: Jesse Stone: Sea Change (2007).** Thriller, starring Tom Selleck.

6.40 **Longmire.**
7.30 **NCIS.** The team investigates the death of a marine off the coast of Tanzania – a case complicated by the discovery that he had a link to Ziva. Starring Mark Harmon and Cote de Pablo.
9.05 **5 News Weekend.**
9.15 **Britain's Funniest Comedy Characters.** Celebration of small-screen comedy creations, from the classic days of Alf Garnett, Basil Fawlty and Rigsby to more modern characters such as Miranda, Keith Lemon and Mrs Brown.

12.00am SuperCasino. Live interactive gaming. **3.05 Classic Car Rescue. 4.00 Wildlife SOS. 4.25 Make It Big. 4.50 The Funky Valley Show. 5.00 Angels of Jarm. 5.10 Roary the Racing Car. 5.20 Angels of Jarm. 5.30 The Funky Valley Show. 5.40 Roary the Racing Car.**

Generation War: Our Mothers, Our Fathers, Saturday, BBC2, 9.30pm

Let Me Entertain You, Saturday, ITV, 6pm

Vera, Sunday, ITV, 8pm

For the Love of Cars, Sunday, Channel 4, 8pm

SUNDAY

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast. 7.35 Match of the Day. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. 12.15pm MOTD2 Extra. With Mark Chapman and the Match of the Day team. **1.00 BBC News;** Weather. **1.15 Bargain Hunt. 2.15 Perfection. 3.00 Escape to the Country. 3.45 Monkey Planet. 4.45 Points of View. 5.00 Songs of Praise. 5.45 Pointless Celebrities.**

6.35 **BBC News.**
7.00 **Countryfile.** Matt Baker and Ellie Harrison name icons of the Yorkshire Dales, along the way visiting Bolton Abbey, meeting Harrogate cycling club and searching for Whitby jet. Including Weather for the Week Ahead.
8.00 **Antiques Roadshow.** Fiona Bruce and the team visit Gregynog Hall in Powys.
9.00 **The Crimson Field.** A group of patients poses a moral dilemma for Joan.
10.00 **BBC News;** Regional News.
10.25 **Match of the Day 2.** Including highlights of Liverpool v Chelsea.
11.40 **The White Slums: Reggie Yates' Extreme South Africa.** New series. Exploring three different South African communities.

12.40am Weatherview. 12.45 BBC News.

BBC2

6.00am This Is BBC2. 6.25 FILM: Cornered (1945). Thriller, starring Dick Powell. **8.05 Countryfile. 9.00 Gardeners' World. 9.30 The Beechgrove Garden. 10.00 Live Snooker: The World Championship.** The opening session on day nine at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield. **12.15pm Spring Kitchen with Tom Kerridge. 1.45 Coast. 2.30 Live Snooker: The World Championship.** The afternoon session on day nine at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield.

6.00 **50 Golden Years of Sport on BBC2.**
7.00 **Live Snooker: The World Championship.** The concluding session on the ninth day in Sheffield.
8.00 **Natural World: France – The Wild Side.** The wildlife of the country's mountains, valleys and forests.
9.00 **FILM: The Artist (2011).** Premiere. Oscar-winning silent drama, starring Jean Dujardin.
10.35 **QI XL.** Extended edition. With Professor Brian Cox, Rhys Darby and Jason Manford.
11.20 **Snooker: The World Championship.** Highlights of the concluding session on day nine.

12.10am Snooker: World Championship Extra. 2.10 Sign Zone: Countryfile. 3.05 Sign Zone: Holby City. 4.05 This Is BBC2.

ITV

6.00am CITV. 8.25 ITV News. 8.30 Weekend. 9.25 Dickinson's Real Deal. 10.25 FILM: Columbo: Agenda for Murder (1990). Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and Patrick McGoohan. **12.20pm ITV News and Weather;** Weather. **12.30 Big Star's Little Star. 1.30 The Unforgettable Noele Gordon. 2.00 Britain's Got Talent. 3.20 Let Me Entertain You. 3.50 FILM: The Living Daylights (1987).** James Bond adventure, starring Timothy Dalton.

6.20 **ITV News Anglia;** Weather.
6.30 **ITV News and Weather.**
6.45 **Catchphrase.**
7.30 **Off Their Rockers.** Rosie loses a rather unusual pet.
8.00 **Vera.** New series. Investigating the death of a pensioner found stabbed on a busy train, Vera follows the trail to a quiet coastal town where clues appear to lead to one particular street.
10.00 **Perspectives: Gary Kemp – Kick Out the Jams.** The Spandau Ballet star explores the work of the Young British Artists.
11.00 **ITV News and Weather;** Weather.
11.20 **Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Britt Ekland.** The former Bond girl talks about her career and private life.

12.15am The Store. 2.45 Motorsport UK. 3.35 British Superbike Championship Highlights.

CHANNEL 4

6.20am Freesports on 4. 7.10 British GT. 7.35 How I Met Your Mother. 8.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. 9.00 Frasier. 9.30 Sunday Brunch. 12.30pm Secret Eaters. 1.35 The Big Bang Theory. 2.30 The Simpsons. 3.30 Deal or No Deal. 4.30 FILM: Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules (2011). Premiere. Children's comedy sequel, starring Zachary Gordon.

6.30 **Channel 4 News.**
7.00 **Posh Pawn.** An insight into the world of high-end pawnbroking, going behind the scenes at a Surrey-based firm dealing in luxurious and exclusive objects.
8.00 **For the Love of Cars.** Philip Glenister meets fans of the Land Rover Series I who thrash their vehicles in a very basic form of motorsport, while Ant Anstead restores one of the cars to its former glory.
9.00 **Fargo.** Malvo investigates the blackmail plot against a man known as the Supermarket King, while Molly suspects Lester is involved in the murders, but Bill points her in a new direction.
10.10 **FILM: The Haunting in Connecticut (2009).**

12.10am FILM: Sunshine (2007). Sci-fi thriller, starring Cillian Murphy. **2.00 The Good Wife.**

CHANNEL 5

6.00am Milkshake! 10.00 Power Rangers Super Samurai. 10.35 Power Rangers Megaforce. 11.00 Access. 11.05 The Dog Rescuers. 11.35 The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door. 12.35pm FILM: The Land Before Time (1988). Animated adventure, with the voice of Gabriel Damon. **2.05 FILM: Homeward Bound: The Incredible Journey (1993).** Animal adventure, with the voice of Michael J Fox. **3.45 FILM: Lilo & Stitch (2002).** Disney animated sci-fi comedy, with the voice of Daveigh Chase. **5.30 FILM: Freaky Friday (2003).** Disney comedy remake, starring Jamie Lee Curtis and Lindsay Lohan.

7.10 **5 News.**
7.15 **FILM: Rush Hour 2 (2001).** Action comedy sequel, starring Jackie Chan and Chris Tucker.
9.00 **FILM: The Other Guys (2010).** Premiere. Two desk-bound incompetent cops get the chance to be heroes when they stumble across a tycoon's illegal activities. Action comedy, starring Will Ferrell and Mark Wahlberg. Includes 5 News Update at 10pm.
11.10 **FILM: Bad Boys (1995).** Action thriller, starring Will Smith and Martin Lawrence.

1.20am SuperCasino. 3.05 Britain's Crime Capitals.

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- Detached garage

SUTTON £149,950

- Modern terraced house
- Popular location
- 2 double bedrooms
- Fitted kitchen
- Lounge/dining room
- Allocated parking
- Ideal first purchase/ investment
- EPC Rating C

LITTLEPORT £79,950

- Modern groundfloor apartment
- Centrally located
- 999 year lease from 1990
- Double bedroom
- Bathroom
- Open plan kitchen/living
- EPC Rating D
- No onward chain

WITCHFORD £189,950

- Modern semi detached
- Popular location
- 3 bedrooms
- Fitted kitchen/dining
- Lounge
- Cloakroom and bathroom
- Garage and garden
- EPC Rating C

SOHAM £229,950

- Modern detached house
- 3 bedrooms
- En-suite to master
- Lounge and dining room
- Conservatory
- Fitted kitchen
- No onward chain
- EPC Rating D

ELY £425,000

- Detached Period style home
- Walking distance to town
- 3 double bedrooms
- Lounge and dining room
- Fitted kitchen and utility
- Garden room and shower room
- Established rear garden
- EPC Rating E

WITCHFORD £239,950

- Established detached bungalow
- Popular village location
- 2 double bedrooms
- Fitted kitchen breakfast room
- Good size lounge
- Garage
- 75' rear garden
- EPC Rating D

MEPAL £399,950

- 1 of 3 new houses to be constructed
- Small development of 5 dwellings
- 4 bedrooms
- Dressing room and en-suite to master
- Choice of kitchen and utility units
- Lounge with open fireplace
- Study and family room
- Garage and parking

SUTTON £395,000

- Beautifully presented detached house
- Private parkland setting
- 5 Double bedrooms
- Large fitted kitchen. dining room
- Lounge and study
- Split level garden
- Double garage
- EPC Rating D

LITTLEPORT £275,000

- 2 Individual detached house
- Non estate location
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Prickwillow
Lifestyle In A High Style
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Traditional Country Cottage

EPC D

Wicken

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- Four bedrooms
- En suite
- Three reception rooms
- Original features
- Off road parking
- No forward chain

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This dream home is beautifully presented throughout and finished to a high standard. Having five bedrooms, two en suites, three receptions plus double garage and games room, this property is sure to tick all the right boxes. A real find! Ref: 8650

- Five bedrooms
- Two en suites
- Three reception rooms
- Kitchen and utility
- Office/hobby room
- Double garage

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Haddenham

EPC D

Rural living, with all the convenience of excellent local amenities and a thriving community. Our sellers had all these needs met when they found this property fourteen years ago. A happy family home that they will be sad to leave. It is truly versatile and spacious both inside and out and will adapt to any family needs. Ref: 8902

- Four bedrooms
- Four reception rooms
- Stunning master bedroom suite
- Off street parking for multiple vehicles
- Fantastic established south facing garden
- Views over countryside

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Guide Price £290,000 - £300,000

Peace And Quiet

EPC C

Prickwillow

Individually designed three bedroom detached family home set close to the River Lark. Ideal for fishing, walking and bird watching. The hub of the home for our sellers is most definitely the kitchen/diner which could also be adapted to incorporate a family area. This property offers spacious accommodation upstairs and down! Ref: 8835

- Individual family home
- Three bedrooms
- En-suite and Juliette balcony to master
- Integral garage and ample off road parking
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Master bedroom with en suite bathroom, second bedroom with en suite, 2 further bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen/family room, sitting room, dining room, office and driveway. EPC rating: C

£675,000

WELNEY

A delightful period cottage providing spacious four bedroom accommodation situated in a lovely rural setting.

Master bedroom with en suite, 3 further bedrooms, bathroom, sitting room, family room, snug, kitchen/breakfast room, conservatory, cloakroom, utility, and 1/4 acre plot (STS). EPC rating: D

£389,950

DODDINGTON

A unique and stylish family residence providing spacious four bedroom accommodation full of charm and character with additional one bedroom self contained annexe.

4 bedrooms, 2 en suite, bathroom, reception hall, sitting room, dining room, luxury kitchen, utility room, cloakroom, self contained annex, gas central heating and large gardens. EPC rating: C

£425,000

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A detached Victorian home which has been extended, creating a spacious three/four bedroom family home, close to the centre of Ely.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, ground floor shower room, ground floor bedroom (4)/study, lounge, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, utility room, rear garden, carport and driveway. EPC rating C

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An immaculately presented four bedroom family home set within the Lantern School catchment area.

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£299,950

NEW

ELY

An immaculate modern three bedroom home located in the heart of Ely's historic centre, tucked between St. Mary's church and the cathedral.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge/dining room, kitchen, entrance hall, WC with utility space, air source central heating system, courtyard garden and allocated parking. EPC rating: C

£275,000

NEW

HADDENHAM

A beautifully presented semi detached home recently improved and enlarged to now provide spacious four bedroom accommodation.

4 bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, entrance hall, sitting/dining room, kitchen, utility room, oil central heating, double glazing, driveway and rear garden. EPC rating: D

£275,000

ELY

An attractively presented three bedroom townhouse well situated in this popular and much sought-after residential location.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen/dining room, utility room, sitting room, gas central heating, double glazing, single garage and enclosed south facing rear garden. EPC rating: C

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NEW

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A well presented three bedroom semi detached town house on a popular development overlooking the 'Stour Green'.

3 bedrooms, master en suite shower room, family bathroom, kitchen/dining room, family room'/study, lounge, cloakroom, tandem garage, driveway parking, gardens. EPC rating: C

£249,950

NEW PRICE

ELY

A two bedroom city home occupying a popular location and in need of some modernisation.

2 bedrooms, porch, sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, ground floor bathroom, work shop, double glazed windows, gas central heating and rear courtyard garden. EPC rating: E

£165,995

NEW PRICE

ELY

A delightful two bedroom semi detached bungalow located on this popular development on St. Johns Road.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, hallway, kitchen, lounge, dining room, gas central heating, double glazed, enclosed rear garden, garage and driveway. EPC rating: C

£237,000

NEW

ELY

A modern two bedroom semi detached house with private parking, ideally situated in Ely's city centre.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge/dining room, kitchen, cloakroom, entrance hall, rear garden and two off-road parking spaces. No upward chain. EPC rating: C

£239,950

NEW PRICE

SOHAM

An ideal opportunity to acquire this apartment in the town of Soham. The property has a tenant in place creating an ideal investment for any buy-to-let purchaser.

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STRETHAM

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£800 PCM*

LET

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£695 PCM*

A spacious two bedroom semi detached property located in a quiet cul-de-sac to the West of Ely within easy access of Ely Community College.

The property comprises of lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, WC, conservatory, bedroom 1 with built-in wardrobes, bedroom 2 and bathroom with shower over bath. Gas central heating. Enclosed rear garden with storage shed. Allocated parking space. EPC rating: D.

LET

SOHAM

£625 PCM*

A three bedroom semi-detached property with enclosed rear garden over looking Qua Fen Common.

The property comprises of kitchen, utility area, dining room, lounge with decorative fireplace, ground floor bathroom, three bedrooms, WC and airing cupboard. Rear enclosed garden. Parking and large storage shed. Gas central heating. EPC rating: E.

ELY

£775 PCM*

A spacious and well presented two bedroom semi detached house in a quiet cul-de-sac to the South West of the City Centre.

The property comprises of lounge/dining room, kitchen, utility room, WC, two double bedrooms with built in wardrobes and bathroom with shower over bath. Gas central heating. Front and rear gardens. Garage and driveway. EPC rating: C.

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Ely

NEW SOLD

A modern, 3 bedroom, mid terraced house offering well presented accommodation situated in the catchment area for the Lantern School. No Upward Chain. Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Living Room, Kitchen/Diner, Master Bedroom with En-Suite Shower Room, Two Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Garage EPC 78 - C

MEPAL £185,000

NEW

A recently renovated, superbly presented, extended 2/3 bedroom semi detached bungalow with gardens and detached garage which lies in an appealing cul de sac setting in this small sought after village location. No Upward Chain. Entrance Hall, Living Room Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Study/ Bedroom 3, Bathroom, Garage & Driveway Parking EPC TBC

SOHAM £260,000

NEW

A spacious, 3 bedroom detached bungalow situated on a mature generous plot with beautiful gardens located just a short walk from the Town centre. No Upward Chain. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, 3 Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Oil Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Large Front and Rear Gardens Garage & Ample Off Road Parking EPC TBC

ELY £225,000

NEW

A Particularly well appointed three bedroom Victorian cottage which lies in a convenient central position with views towards Ely Cathedral. Entrance Hall, Front Sitting Room, Dining Room, Spacious Kitchen, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom,Rear Garden. EPC TBC

LITTLE THETFORD £565,000

A substantial, rather special, Victorian double fronted detached residence set in wonderful mature gardens within this highly sought after village location. Entrance Hall, Sitting Room with Open Fireplace, Dining Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Family Room, Cloakroom, F/F Annexe Suite comprising Bedroom 4, Study/Bedroom 5 and Shower Room, Master Bedroom with En-Suite Shower Room, 2 Further Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Front & Rear Gardens, Double Garage & Driveway Parking. EPC 53 - E

WITCHFORD £165,000

NEW

A well presented three bedroom mid terraced house with a good sized rear garden and garage which lies in an enviable cul-de-sac position. Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Front and Rear Gardens, Garage, Off Road Parking EPC 74-C

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Ely

A well presented 2 bedroom end of terrace home ideal for first time or investment buyers situated in the much sought after Cathedral View Development. EPC 66 - D

Ely £345,000

A spacious, 6 bedroom, link detached family home offering versatile accommodation situated within the highly desirable Stour Green development and just a short walk from the local schools and City centre. EPC 77 - C

Littleport

A well proportioned, detached bungalow in a sought after cul de sac position close to the local facilities in the centre of the village. EPC 66 - D

COVENEY £475,000

An impressive, late 18th Century, double fronted detached residence which lies in an elevated position with far reaching countryside views. No Upward Chain. EPC 27 - F

WICKEN £450,000

An opportunity to purchase a truly delightful, partially renovated, 15th Century Grade II Listed cottage set in charming, south facing gardens.

Ely £265,000

A beautifully presented 3/4 bedroom townhouse with spacious living over three floors situated just a short walk from the Lantern School, Ely College and City centre. EPC 69-C

SUTTON £325,000

A new, 5 bedroom, detached family home offering substantial accommodation over three floors with spectacular countryside views to the rear and secure gated parking. No Upward Chain. EPC 84 - B

HADDENHAM £305,000

A charming, spacious Victorian 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom detached cottage which lies adjacent to the recreation ground in the centre of this well served popular village location. EPC 36 - F

SOHAM £450 pcm*

A one bedroom first floor flat being offered partially furnished with white goods, electric heating and resident parking. EPC 76 - C
AVAILABLE BEG OF JUNE - PART FURNISHED

Ely £1,250 pcm*

An attractive detached double fronted 4 bedroom property in a convenient situation. EPC 73 - C

AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY - UNFURNISHED

LITTLE THETFORD £775 pcm*

A detached house with three good sized bedrooms situated in a quiet residential area only a short drive from Ely City Centre and Railway Station. EPC 58 - D
IMMEDIATELY - UNFURNISHED

LITTLEPORT £995 pcm*

A four bedroom detached house situated in a secluded cul de sac close to the River EPC 66 - D
AVAILABLE BEG OF MAY - UNFURNISHED

Ely

An impressive, modern, end of terrace 3 bedroom house which lies in a desirable cul de sac position less than a mile from the City Centre.

SOHAM

A two bedroom, second floor apartment with a balcony and views across a pond and open countryside beyond.

Ely

A superb well presented modern semi detached two bedroom, two bathroom property with garage on a sought after residential development approximately one mile from the Centre of Ely.

Ely

A modern two bedroom end of terrace house which is located off the main green. The property just been redecorated throughout.

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- Three Bedrooms
- En-suite to Master
- Separate Dining Room
- Energy Rating - E
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room plus Utility
- Off Road Parking

£149,950

CHATTERIS

- Two Bedrooms
- Detached House
- Separate Dining Room
- Non Estate Location
- Energy Rating - F
- No Upward Chain

£105,000

CHATTERIS

- Two Bedrooms
- Brand New Detached Bungalow
- Off Road Parking
- No Upward Chain
- Energy Rating - B

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CHATTERIS

- Three Bedrooms
- Semi Detached House
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Energy Rating - C

£139,995

CHATTERIS

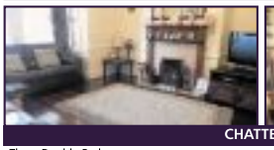
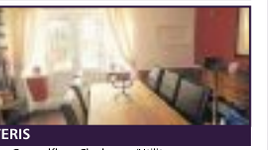
- Three Bedroom
- Semi Detached House
- Spacious Accommodation
- No Upward Chain
- Energy Rating - E

£109,950

CHATTERIS

- No Upward Chain
- One Bedroom Flat
- Off Road Parking
- Fitted Kitchen with Oven and Hob
- Energy Rating - D

£89,995

CHATTERIS

- Three Double Bedrooms
- Garage
- Three Reception Rooms
- Groundfloor Cloakroom/Utility
- Energy Rating - tbc

£235,000

CHATTERIS

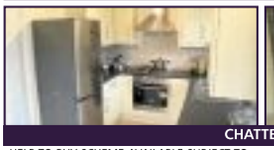
- Two Double Bedrooms- EPC 'B'
- Lounge With Juliette Balcony
- Allocated Off Road Parking
- Communal Roof Garden

£104,995

CHATTERIS

- No Upward Chain
- Three Bedrooms
- Stairway to Loft/Storage Area
- Energy Rating- D

£130,000



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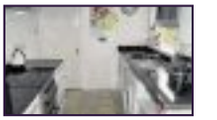


CHATTERIS

- Two Double Bedrooms
- End of Terraced House
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Energy Rating - D
- Gas Central Heating
- Immaculate Presentation

£110,000

CHATTERIS

- Three Bedrooms
- Ground Floor Cloakroom
- Refitted Bathroom
- No Upward Chain
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating- D

£130,000

CHATTERIS

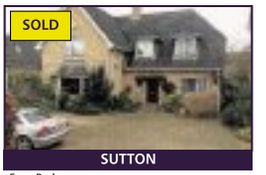
- No Upward Chain
- Two Bedrooms - EPC Rating 'D'
- Off Road parking
- Town Centre Location

£114,995

CHATTERIS

- Four Bedrooms - EPC Rating 'D'
- Refitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Larger Than Average Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Gas Fired Central Heating

£143,500



SUTTON

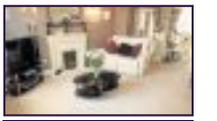
- Four Bedrooms
- Detached House
- En-Suite To Master
- Double Garage & Off Road Parking

£385,000

CHATTERIS

- Three Bedrooms
- Semi Detached House
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating - D

£115,000



CHATTERIS

- Three Bedrooms
- Link-Detached House
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- Field Views To Rear
- Energy Rating - D

£179,950

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£290,000 to £300,000

THIS three bedroom detached home in Riverside Close, Prickwillow, set close to the river Lark is on the market with a guide price of £290,000 to £300,000. It has accommodation including a spacious kitchen/dining/family room and downstairs utility room, a master bedroom with Juliet balcony and en suite shower room, two more bedrooms and a family bathroom. The rear garden is mainly laid to lawn, with a decked patio, and flower and shrub borders. There is also a garage and off road parking to the front of the property. Call haart of Ely for further details on (01353) 664112.

Feature HOME

Wardy Hill: £450,000

THIS four bedroom detached house in Wardy Hill is on the market for £450,000.
It has accommodation which includes a kitchen/diner, utility room, sitting room with Inglenook fireplace, master bedroom with en suite shower room, family bathroom and a large rear garden.
There is also a cart lodge, garage and external office.

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An excellent opportunity to purchase a plot of land with planning permission for the demolition of the existing house, bungalow and outbuildings and the erection of 5 detached houses. Fenland Planning reference F/YR11/0186/EXTIME.
£350,000

CHATTERIS

A two bedroom link detached bungalow for sale in a popular cul-de-sac location, close to the Town Centre. The bungalow comprises; lounge/diner, fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms and a bathroom. The bungalow benefits from double glazing, gas central heating and off-road parking. EPC - D
£169,995

CHATTERIS

Kavanagh Hayes are delighted to present this modern 3 bedroom semi-detached house. The property is located close to the Town Centre and all local amenities and also benefits from being sold with No Upward Chain. An ideal investment opportunity! EPC - C
£134,995

CHATTERIS

A 3 bedroom, semi-detached family home in a popular location close to all local amenities. The property comprises; entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge/diner, recently fitted kitchen, gardens to the front and rear and allocated parking. EPC - D
£129,995

CHATTERIS

Kavanagh Hayes are delighted to present this 3 bedroom, link detached bungalow, situated in Chatteris. The property comprises; three double bedrooms, gas fired central heating, lounge, dining room, large rear garden, parking and single garage. EPC - D
£199,995

New

CHATTERIS

Kavanagh Hayes are pleased to present this semi-detached house, situated in the town of Chatteris, close to the Secondary School and local amenities. The property benefits from being sold with a self contained annex. NO UPWARD CHAIN
£150,000

CHATTERIS

Kavanagh Hayes are delighted to present this 4/5 bedroom detached house situated on the outskirts of Chatteris. The house has been extended and modernised and is situated in large well-maintained gardens with an outdoor heated swimming pool. No Upward Chain. EPC - F
£450,000

New

CHRISTCHURCH

A lovely, well-maintained detached bungalow situated in the quiet, village location of Christchurch. The bungalow comprises; lounge/diner, kitchen/breakfast room, 3 bedrooms with en-suite to master and 75' rear garden. EPC - E
£174,995

CHATTERIS

A perfect opportunity to purchase an investment property with a tenant in situ. The property is situated close to the Town Centre and close to all local amenities. The property comprises; lounge/diner, kitchen, bedroom and bathroom. EPC - C
£118,000

RAMSEY

The perfect investment opportunity! A one bedroom flat with spacious kitchen/diner, living room, bathroom and shower room. The flat is leasehold and benefits from being sold with No Upward Chain. EPC - C
£69,995

CHATTERIS

Plot of land for sale complete with outline planning permission for the erection of a three bedroom detached house. The plot measures 21'9" (6.62m) x 98'2" (29.92m). The plot is in a great location, close to the Town Centre, ideally situated for road links to Huntingdon and Cambridge.
£65,000

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Littleport £159,950

Established semi with hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, mainly double glazed, gas c. heating, single garage, parking, garden. EPR TBC.

Ely £279,950

Extended semi over 3 floors. 3/4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), lounge/dining room, ff bedroom/lounge, conservatory, garage, parking, studio/workshop. EPR D.

Ely £275,000

Detached family home. Hall, lounge, dining room, cloakroom, kitchen/breakfast room, 4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, double garage, parking, garden. EPR C.

Ely £215,000

Well presented Victorian semi detached house in an established part of the City with lounge, dining room, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, gardens. EPR TBC.

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Littleport £475,000

A superbly presented 5 bedroom (4 ensuite) detached home, extended & comprehensively improved throughout offering a stylish home with many bespoke & restored Victorian features, enclosed garden & old coach house. EPR E.

Wicken £339,950

Superb conversion offering a stunning home & many individual features. Kitchen/living room, garden room, 2 gf bedrooms 1 ensuite, bathroom, ff galleried sitting room, master bedroom & ensuite, garden, parking. EPR TBC.

Ely £205,000

Situated in a highly regarded City location, this terraced home is well located allowing easy access to the many City amenities & mainline railway station. Lounge, dining room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom & mature garden. EPR TBC.

Soham £399,950

Individual detached home in a non estate location. Hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utilty, cloakroom, double garage (currently games room), study, 4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, parking, gardens. EPR D.

Ely £159,950

Situated in a central city location allowing easy access to the many city amenities. Accommodation briefly comprises entrance hallway, lounge, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom and parking. EPR D

Ely £294,950

A well presented detached property in this well regarded location. Hall, cloakroom, kitchen / dining room, lounge, 4 double bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, enclosed garden, garage and parking. EPR TBC

Soham £234,950

Established semi detached house close to local amenities, extended to the rear to provide hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, gardens with outbuildings & timber studio/workshop. EPR E.

Ely £279,950

A superbly presented detached bungalow within walking distance of the City Centre with entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen, 2 double bedrooms, fully enclosed garden, driveway & garage. EPR D.

Soham £214,950

Established semi detached house in a non estate location with easy access to the Town Centre & popular Soham Village College. Hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, cloakroom, rear lobby, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, garden. EPR D.

Stretham £207,000

A well presented semi detached property in this well regarded village of Stretham. Accommodation comprises entrance hallway, kitchen, lounge / dining room, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, enclosed garden backing onto farmland. EPR D.

Haddenham £135,000

A 2 bedroom terraced home situated in a small courtyard development just a short distance from the centre of this popular village. Greatly improved by the current owner with allocated parking and small open plan garden area. EPR E.

Soham £82,500

A 1 bedroom first floor apartment in the centre of this small town. hall, lounge, kitchen, bedroom, bathroom and allocated parking. no upward chain. EPR E.

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Littleport £290,000

A superbly presented 5 bedroom detached family home situated on a new development still under NHBC Guarantee. Entrance hallway, cloakroom, kitchen, lounge, dining room, utility room, 5 bedrooms (including master bedroom with ensuite and dressing room area), fully enclosed garden, double garage and off road parking. EPR C.

NEW PRICE

Ely £335,000

Highly individual centrally located Grade II Listed former barrel store built in 1879 and converted in 2006. Accommodation on 3 floors - shared entrance, open plan kitchen/lounge/dining area, cloakroom, gf 2 bedrooms, bathroom, ff master bedroom with dressing area & ensuite, garage, private parking. EPR N/A

NEW

Queen Adelaide £179,950

This 2 bedroom semi detached house dating back to the turn of the Century approximately, occupies a generous plot with accommodation comprising lounge, separate dining room, kitchen, ground floor bathroom, conservatory, rear lobby/conservatory, 2 first floor bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, garage, parking & gardens. EPR F.

Wilburton £450,000

A superbly presented detached family home situated in a non estate location in the well regarded village of Wilburton. Hall, cloakroom, kitchen, utility room, dining room, study, lounge, conservatory, 4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, fully enclosed gardens, double garage (half having been converted to a gym) & off road parking. No upward chain. EPR E.

NEW

Ely £185,000

A modern semi detached house situated on an established City development with accommodation comprising entrance hallway, kitchen, lounge, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, single garage, parking & gardens. EPR TBC.

NEW

Sutton £149,950

A superbly presented semi detached cottage situated in a highly regarded part of this popular village. Lounge, kitchen, utility room/rear lobby, bathroom, 2 bedrooms, fully enclosed garden and off road parking. The property also benefits from gas central heating. EPR TBC.

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ELY £450 pcm*

Modern furnished ground floor studio with electric heating, double glazing and off road parking. EPC:D

CHRISTCHURCH £570 pcm*

Semi detached 3 bedroom house in rural location, completely renovated throughout. EPC:D

STRETHAM £650 pcm*

2 bedroom terrace house newly decorated throughout with parking. EPC:D

ELY

Modern 2 bedroom semi detached house with garden and driveway. EPC C

ELY £850 pcm*

Morden semi detached 3 bedroom townhouse with central heating and garage. EPC:C

PYMOOR £895 pcm*

Spacious detached 4 bedroom farmhouse with views across open farmland. EPC:F

WILBURTON £1,250 pcm*

Modern detached 4 bedroom house with garden, double garage and driveway. EPC:D

ELY £1,350 pcm*

Modern and well presented 4 bedroom townhouse, with gas heating, garden and parking. EPC:C

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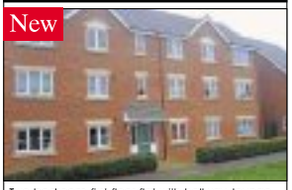
Soham £219,950
New

Extended detached house with lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms and bathroom and benefits from gas heating. EPC Rating TBC.

Soham £116,500
New

Two bedroom first floor flat with hallway, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom and benefits from electric heating and allocated parking. EPC Rating C

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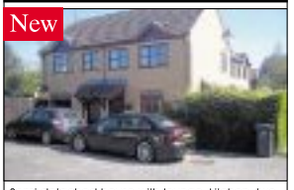
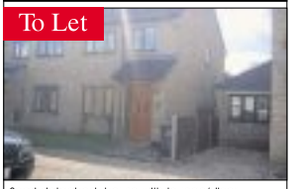
Soham £264,950

Detached bungalow with accommodation comprising cloakroom, kitchen, lounge, three bedrooms and shower room. The property benefits from enclosed garden and driveway leading to garage/workshop. EPC Rating D.

Soham £129,950
New

Semi detached house with lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom and benefits from enclosed garden to side. EPC Rating E.

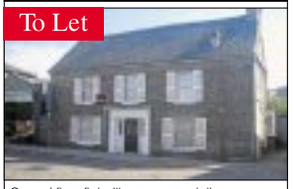
Soham £800
To Let

Semi detached house with hall, lounge, kitchen/diner, utility room, three bedrooms and bathroom. The property has gas central heating, garden and garage. EPC Rating D. *Tenancy application fees are applicable from £200 plus VAT.*

Soham £750
To Let

Semi detached house with lounge/diner, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom and benefits from gas heating, rear garden and garage. EPC Rating D. *Tenancy application fees are applicable from £200 plus VAT.*

Soham £650
To Let

Two bedroom top floor flat with lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms, en-suite shower room and bathroom. EPC Rating C. *Tenancy application fees are applicable from £200 plus VAT.*

Soham £525
To Let

Ground floor flat with accommodation comprising hall, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and shower room. EPC Rating G. *Tenancy application fees are applicable from £200 plus VAT.*

Soham £450
To Let

First floor flat with accommodation comprising living/kitchen area, bedroom and bathroom. EPC Rating G. *Tenancy application fees apply from £200*

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Two Counties on June 29

THE hugely popular Two Counties Motor Show is set to return to the Rowley Mile Race Course at Newmarket on June 29 for its 14th year.

Described as the premier regional motor show, the organisers, the Cambridge and Newmarket Lions Clubs, say it guarantees a fantastic day out for the whole family.

Dealers who have exhibited at the show previously include Aston Martin, Audi, Bentley, Ford, Lexus, Honda, Skoda, and many more and 2014 promises a superb range. An impressive variety of classic cars will be in attendance as always and it will boast a huge range of trade stands.

Family entertainment is always a priority, and in the past has included bouncy castle, go-karting, facepainting and other entertainments. Of course there will also be hot and cold refreshments.

ROWLEY MILE: Iconic setting for Two Counties Motor Show on June 29

Over the last few years the Two Counties Motor Show has raised over £110,000 for local charities and this year the organisers hope to significantly add to that tally. This year chosen charities include Street Sports, an organisation which raises funds to involve young people in sport and reduce crime and antisocial behaviour.

Last year more than £3,000 was donated to Suffolk Carers, enabling several much-needed trips and activities for some of the region's young carers. The money raised goes a long way in the chosen causes and the organisers hope to beat last year's total.

With several hundred of the automotive industry's finest cars and bikes on display both new and old, the region's biggest offering of brand new cars for sale, a huge range of trade stands and refreshments, and family entertainment, the Two Counties Motor Show offers a fantastic day out for everyone. Dealerships spaces are being booked up fast so if you are interested in attending, get in touch with the organisers through *twocountiesmotorshow.co.uk* – quickly!

CLEVER: The Seat Ibiza FR Edition

1.4 FR Edition for Ibiza

SPANISH car maker Seat has injected some added sparkle into its Ibiza compact hatch, with the announcement of a new FR Edition variant.

Borrowing a 1.4-litre petrol engine from Volkswagen, this new model boasts clever cylinder cut-off technology to save fuel and reduce emissions. During periods of low demand, the engine switches from four to two cylinders – technology that's now appearing on Volkswagen, Audi and even Bentley models.

Replacing the previous 150bhp FR, the new 140bhp model remains a brisk performer as it'll sprint to 62mp in 7.8 seconds. It'll also save you money thanks to its 60.1mpg and 109g/km economy rating.

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Models shown for illustration purposes only. These offers supersede any previously advertised offers. Saving quoted is against Manufacturers Recommended Retail Price (MRRP).

New Mini Countryman debuts

A NEW version of the Mini Countryman – the first Mini to feature four doors, five seats and optional all-wheel-drive – has made its debut at the New York International Auto Show.

With striking body design accents, refined premium characteristics in the interior and enhanced efficiency, the new Mini Countryman builds upon the strengths of the offers increases in power output, improved aerodynamic properties and further efficiency enhancements (thanks to MINIMALISM technology). The result is better acceleration and top speed in some models.

The petrol and diesel engines available for the new Mini Countryman all meet the EU6 exhaust emissions regulations.

The four-cylinder spark ignition engine used in the Mini Cooper S Countryman, with twin-scroll turbocharger, direct injection and variable valve control, also sees an increase in output to 190bhp. This results in a reduction in the 0-62mph time of 0.1 sec to 7.5 seconds, while the in-gear sprint from 50 to 75mph in fifth gear now takes just 8.4 seconds – down 0.2.

Fuel consumption in the new Mini Cooper S Countryman on the EU test cycle has improved to 47.1mpg, while CO2 emissions drop by three per cent to 139 grams per kilometre.

The new Mini Countryman starts from £16,990 and is available to order soon.

Focus on a car's value not fuel data to save money

FOCUS more on a car's value not its fuel economy if you want to save money, that's the advice from leading valuation experts CAP Automotive.

According to the independent experts, millions are wasted by drivers who focused on performance at the pumps when they chose their car, instead of the real cash-killer – depreciation.

Consumer research consistently reveals British motorists' obsession with the cost of filling up with fuel. But figures released by CAP reveal how choosing a car that holds its value well delivers much bigger savings over time than focusing on fuel efficiency.

According to CAP's ownership cost figures, the average cash value lost by the typical medium family car bought three years ago is £12,559 – and rising. However the same cars, driven 12,000 miles a year, have only burned an average £4,000 of fuel. Depreciation has therefore cost the typical motorist three times as much as they have spent at the pumps.

Yet recent research has seen motorists continuing to place fuel at the top of their list of motoring cost concerns.

Commenting on the situation, Philip Nothard, CAP's retail and consumer expert, said: "The problem is that motorists either think there is nothing they can do about depreciation or they simply don't understand that fuel costs should be the least of their worries when you compare what they'll spend at the pumps with how much they'll lose by choosing one car when another holds its value so much better."

THE NEW AUDI A3 CABRIOLET: With added reassurance of quattro AWD

1.6 treat for A3 Cabriolet fans

LONGER spring days have just been complemented by the potential for lengthier spells of top-down driving between fuel stops in the new Audi A3 Cabriolet, which this week adopts a 1.6-litre TDI engine capable of over 72mpg. Drivers who value tenacity in corners and increased capability in adverse weather as highly as economy can also now opt for new quattro all-wheel-drive versions of the 180PS A3 Cabriolet 1.8 TFSI.

The additions to the originally three-strong A3 Cabriolet range can be ordered now, as can new S tronic twin-clutch-equipped versions of the 1.4 TFSI 140PS Cylinder-on-Demand and 2.0 TDI 150PS versions. All the new variants will reach their first UK customers in the summer.

Positioned as the efficiency champion in the cabriolet line-up, the particularly frugal 1.6 TDI lowers CO2 emissions to just 104g/km and can achieve up to 72.4mpg according to the combined cycle test. Initially available to order exclusively as a six-speed manual, the A3 Cabriolet 1.6 TDI needs 11.4 seconds to reach 62mph from rest and can continue to a top speed of 124mph.

Peak power from the 110PS four-cylinder unit is available between 3,200-4,000rpm and peak torque matches the similarly efficient 1.4 TFSI with Cylinder on Demand at 250Nm between 1,500-3,000rpm.

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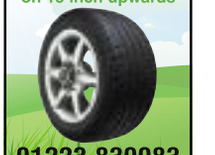

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Spring Close, Burwell
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2014/183

Is to stop any vehicle from proceeding along Spring Close, Burwell as lies between The Paddocks and Mandeville.

The alternative route for vehicles is via Spring Close – Hall Lane – High Street (B1102) and vice versa

The Order is made to facilitate a new water connection works which are being carried out on or near this highway and it will come into operation on 26 May 2014 and continue until these works have finished or on the 25 November 2014 which ever is the earlier.

It is anticipated that these works will be carried out between 26 May and 28 May 2014.

Station Road, Ely
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2014/188

Is to stop any vehicle from proceeding along Station Road, Ely as lies between points 20m either side of the railway level crossing as measured from the gates or barriers.

The alternative route for vehicles over 2.7m high is via the A142 – A10 – A1123 – A142 and vice versa.

The Order is made to facilitate essential maintenance works which are being carried out on or near this highway and it will come into operation on 7 June 2014 and continue until those works have finished or on the 6 December 2014 which ever is the earlier.

It is anticipated that these works will be carried out overnight between 23:00hrs 7 June to 09:00hrs 8 June 2014 and 23:00hrs 14 June to 09:00hrs 15 June 2014.

Barway Road, Soham
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2014/203

Is to stop any vehicle from proceeding along Barway Road, Soham as lies between points 20m either side of the level crossing as measured from the gates or barriers.

The Order will come into operation on 27 April 2014 and will continue until the essential maintenance works have finished or on 26 October 2014 which ever is the earlier.

It is anticipated that these works will be carried out between 23:30hrs 27 April and 05:30hrs 28 April 2014.

Access will be maintained to properties affected by these orders.

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Cycling

Eley third in King's Lynn race

MATT Eley maintained his good early season form with third place at the King's Lynn 10.

The Ely & District Cycling Club/JT Cycles rider came home in a time of 23min 31sec, behind Team Velocity members Daniel Bloy and Matthew Webster.

Ely's Cliff Loveday finished in 17th place with a time of 25min 30sec, while Colin Whitechurch came home in 22nd in 26min 53sec.

Liam Walker recorded a time of 29min 42sec to finish in 42nd place, with Celia Whitechuch finishing in 48th with a time of 32min 38sec.

Heads down: Matt Eley pushes on for third place in the King's Lynn 10.

Table tennis

Winners: Comrades IV's (left to right) Lito Jumilla, Barry Sore, Mark Coles and Chris Rule.

Comrades get their hands on the plate

SOHAM Comrades ran out 5-1 winners over Fulbourn V in the Ely & District League's Handicap Plate final to claim the title.

But the scoreline did not fully reflect the contest as some of the games were extremely close.

Comrades' Chris Rule (17) kicked off against Fulbourn's Dave Roitman (14) and took the first leg 31-29. The second went to Roitman 31-27 but Rule won the next two to 29 and 26.

Lito Jumilla (17) then faced Jon Chapman (14) and must have felt very happy after taking the first two legs 31-29 and 31-21. However, the Chapman of old then emerged to claim the next three legs to 29, 25 and 26.

Mark Coles (13) beat Ali Hands (17) in two close legs, 32-30 and 31-29, and Rule then beat Chapman in three straight sets despite having only a three-point advantage, but the last two sets were very close.

Jumilla overcame Hands in three straight sets, but every leg was won by a margin of only two points. Coles then sealed the victory with a surprisingly comfortable win over Roitman 31-22, 31-26.

In Division One, Haddenham retained their title in style by defeating Soham Comrades I 10-0.

The result means they have a nine-point lead at the top of the table with one game in hand over their nearest rivals, who have all completed their fixtures.

Football: Latest news from Julius Martin Lane and the Unwin Ground

Simpson provides late Soham winner

MATT Simpson grabbed the winner as Soham clinched a 2-1 victory at home to Needham Market in Ryman League, Division One North on Monday.

It took until the 80th minute for the deadlock to be broken, when the visitors, who needed to win to keep their play-off hopes alive, went ahead.

Buster Harradine levelled soon after for Rangers by nodding home after getting in front of a defender to meet a long through ball.

But as Needham pushed forward, they were caught out with Ben Sawyer playing Simpson in to score his maiden goal for the first team.

Manager Steve Fallon said: "Matt is top scorer for the reserves for this season and I watched him play against Over and thought he did really well.

"He's a Soham lad who came through the youth team, so he was quite excited to score.

"Needham Market are a good side, so it was a good win for us.

"There was a good crowd there as well because they brought quite a few with them.

"But it's fair to say there weren't too many chances in the game.

"Their keeper made a good save from Luke and Eno (Ordonez) made a good save, but we cancelled each other out."

Fallon had insisted Soham would keep fighting after suffering a 3-2 defeat against strugglers Brentwood on Good Friday.

Luke Stanley had fired the Greens in front after three minutes, but were forced to substitute Chris Lindsay and Harradine.

Sawyer managed to restore the visitors' advantage at the break after Brentwood had levelled.

But two goals after half time killed off the Soham threat.

"We started well, but then tiredness started to show and we looked very leggy," said Fallon.

"We struggled to get anything going, they were battling against relegation and they were more up for it than us, unfortunately.

"We want to finish as strongly as possble, so we'll just keep going."

Soham, who lifted the Cambridgeshire Invitation Cup last week following a 6-1 drubbing of Thurlow Nunn League side CRC in the final at the R Costings Abbey thanks to hat-tricks from Stanley and Harradine, round off their campaign with a trip to Waltham Forest this Saturday.

Robins bank point away to the leaders

ELY City managed to secure a 1-1 draw at leaders Felixstowe & Walton in the Thurlow Nunn League, Premier Division last Saturday, despite having Josh Townsend sent off early in the second half.

Adam Murray put the visitors ahead and although Felixstowe pulled one back after Townsend picked up his second yellow card, Ely held on for a point.

"It was a fantastic result and it was well deserved," said Ely boss Brady Stone.

There was no such luck for the Robins on Easter Monday, however, as James Hall and Niks Savalnieks both bagged braces as Godmanchester racked up a 5-1 win at the Unwin Ground.

Hall opened the scoring in the fifth minute with a lob, before Joe Furness rounded off a four-man move with a nice finish.

The Robins pulled one back before the break when Ben Lawrence's long throw caused problems and the ball ended up in the net.

But Savalnieks struck twice in the second period and Hall claimed another to seal an impressive three points for Rovers.

Stone's men are back in Premier Division action this Saturday away to Stanway Rovers.

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